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SHANGHAI TENSION.

Foreign Women Leaving Nanking.

HANKOW STRIKE.

Foreign Banks Again Close Down.

To-day's messages from the North report tension at Shanghai, danger at Nanking, and a strike at Hankow. The British and other foreign banks at Hankow have decided to close down until a satisfactory settlement can be reached.

Foreign women and children are leaving Nanking for Shanghai, where the Municipal Council has issued a proclamation stating it will use all powers at its command to preserve order.

HANKOW STRIKE.

Foreign Banks All Close Down.

The following wireless messages have been received by the local naval authorities:—

"Owing to the strike of the Chinese staffs, all British and other foreign banks at Hankow have decided to close down and remained closed until a satisfactory settlement can be concluded.

In the course of the negotiations between British consular and other officials and the Labour Unions at Wuhu relating to the collision between the s.s. "Kutwo" and a military launch, it has been alleged by the Unions that among

NANKING UNSAFE.

Foreign Women and Children Leaving.

Shanghai, March 22. The evacuation of the foreign women and children from Nanking began at daylight.—Reuter.

those sunk on the launch was a Chinese Colonel (commander of 500 men), his family and retinue. Twelve bodies have been recovered, together with a quantity of luggage, and arrangements have been made for the salvaging of the boat for the purpose of recovering the bodies of others alleged to have been on board at the time.

The situation at Wuhu remains quiet.

Safety of Foreigners.

The Northern troops fleeing from Changchow (captured by the Southerners) are using the Shanghai-Nanking Railway.

All foreign women and children at Nanking have been advised to leave for Shanghai.

During the last few days, 20,000 of Sun's forces at Chinkiang have crossed to the North Bank.

Southern troops were expected to arrive in Chinkiang last night. Many troops have left Chinkiang for Nanking.

Some of Sun's troops have been cut off at Changchow and have declared themselves neutral. They will probably cross to the North Bank.

A darkened vessel passed "Silver Island" (Chinkiang) at high speed at 1.45 a.m. yesterday and was fired at by the forts which are garrisoned by Sun's forces.

All women and children at Chinkiang have been warned to evacuate in the next down-river steamer.

POSITION TENSE.

Municipal Council Issues Proclamation.

Rugby, March 21. The advance troops of the Southern Nationalists reached Shanghai to-day and Press telegrams report a tense situation. Business is temporarily at a standstill. Workers have left their occupations, and the Settlement police have had to clear the streets of Chinese crowds.

The barriers of the settlement are closed, and foreigners are remaining within its boundaries along which the defence force troops are posted.

A large force of United States marines landed in the settlement to-day, and British, Dutch, Italian and Spanish naval vessels also landed parties at the request of the Municipality.

The Chinese city is reported to be in a ferment.

that all the powers at their command will be used to preserve peace and good order.—British

JAPAN'S EXAMPLE.

Questions Regarding British Concessions.

London, March 21.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Howard Bury asked whether, in view of the recent developments at Hankow and the protests from Peking, the Government would consider the advisability of adopting a policy similar to Japan, which had stated that she does not intend returning the Concessions in the present unpromising circumstances.

Mr. G. Locker Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said the Government did not intend to go back on its proposals regarding the Concessions which had been communicated to Peking and Hankow in January after careful examination.

Replying to Mr. E. Thurtle (Labour) regarding the foundation for statements concerning Japanese policy, Mr. Locker Lampson said that the information received from Japan showed a great deal of divergence.

He believed as a matter of fact that the Japanese Consul General at Hankow was prepared to sign a similar agreement to ourselves. Mr. H. W. Looker (Conservative) suggested deferment of further negotiations for returning the Concessions to the Nationalists as the latter failed to respect British rights and restrain their followers from acts of violence, notably at Wuhu and Ningpo.

Mr. Locker Lampson pointed out that Wuhu and Ningpo were not British Concessions, but the Government would do its best to protect British rights wherever they were attacked.

He added that the same measures would be afforded to British subjects at Hankow and Kiukiang as at the other treaty ports.—Reuter.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Chinese Looters Break Into Settlement.

Shanghai, March 21.

A party of Chinese troops, presumably Northerners, broke through the barrier to the north of the Settlement and started looting. The two armoured cars which were sent out were continuously fired on by machine guns. Four of the occupants of the first car were wounded, though not seriously.—Lieutenant Newman, Privates P. Ashley and Herman, and Lieut. Corporal Ainslie. The second car towed away the car with the wounded, under heavy fire, which was returned.—Reuter.

Civilians Wounded.

Shanghai, March 21.

A continuous rumble of firing is audible this evening from the direction of the Native City, where there appears to be much disturbance. Bullets and shrapnel have fallen in the International Concession wounding one Russian and several Chinese civilians.—Reuter.

Baton Charges.

Later.

Big, and in many cases, truculent crowds are collecting and the International City Police have been compelled to make a baton charge several times in the Nanking Road to disperse huge assemblies blocking the traffic. Three Punjabi, at the Border barrier in the north of the City have been shot, but no details are hand.—Reuter.

The Nationalist flag was hoisted at the Post Office and over

STOLEN GOODS?

Articles From Powell's Store?

ARREST OF TWO MEN.

Detective Sergeant Baker and a party of police yesterday executed a search warrant at No. 10, Ice House Street and discovered a lot of serge, ladies' underwear, boots, socks and pullovers believed to be stolen property.

Two Chinese have been arrested on suspicion, one of whom is said to be a coolie employed by Messrs. Sassoon's.

Part of the goods is said to "correspond" with articles stolen from Messrs. Powell's, but the goods have not yet been definitely identified.

"OVERCAST."

WEATHER FORECAST FOR TO-MORROW.

"East winds, moderate; generally overcast" is the weather forecast for to-morrow.

Pressure has increased slightly over Japan and the Visayas. It has decreased moderately at Shanghai and slightly over South China.

The anticyclone is central over South West Japan.

Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected along the South East Coast of China and over the North China Sea.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1, 6.14 inches, against an average of 5.06 inches.

nearly all the Chinese shops. The French authorities are erecting barbed barriers across the few remaining streets hitherto unbarred, bordering the International Settlement. The Volunteers were mobilised at three o'clock this afternoon. The Japanese have landed a Naval Party and are patrolling the Bund, and H.M.S. "Hawkins" has also landed a Naval Party.—Reuter.

Details of the Shooting.

Later.

The Punjabis were proceeding with trucks along a Municipal road in the northern district, just outside the Settlement boundary when a number of shots were fired at them from an alleyway through barbed wire. Three of the Punjabis were hit, and one died almost immediately. The others are not seriously injured. The district is mainly populated by Cantonese, and owing to its crowded condition no attempt was made to arrest the assailants.

Naval Landings.

Shanghai, March 21.

The Dutch, Spanish, Italian and American warships landed naval sailors in the International Settlement and French sailors were landed in the French Concession. The landings in the International Settlement were in response to a request from the Municipal Council, who have declared a "State of Emergency."

The Suffolks have been detailed for defence inside the Settlement.—Reuter.

30,000 Strikers.

Shanghai, March 21.

The railwaymen have joined the strikers, who at noon-time, numbered over 30,000.

The American Company of the Volunteers is guarding the Post Office. The situation is now well in hand.—Reuter.

Brush With French.

Shanghai, March 21.

The Nationalist occupation of the Native part of Shanghai, which may now be considered as an accomplished fact, took the dual form of a military advance and effective internal action by the Nationalist gunmen operating in Nuffi, who seized several native police stations, setting fire to one. In most cases they were completely successful, but the occupants of one station resisted, inflicting casualties among the attackers.

The French outpost on the furthest border of the French Concession brushed against a small detachment of Chinese troops this afternoon. Shots were exchanged and the Chinese were driven off.—Reuter.

ANOTHER PIRACY.

Jardine Cargo Steamer Seized.

"HOPSANG" LOOTED.

European Passenger Reported Injured.

The British cargo steamer, "Hopsang," belonging to the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., for whom Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., are the general managers, has been seized by pirates and taken to Bias Bay.

After being looted there, the vessel was released this morning, arriving at Hong Kong this afternoon. There were no serious casualties, but a European passenger, whose name is not yet known, was slightly injured.

MIDNIGHT ATTACK.

Injuries to a European Passenger.

Undeterred by the fate of those of the Bias Bay pirate gang who were burnt, drowned or captured and suffered the penalty of their misdeeds as a result of the heroic conduct of the officers of the s.s. "Sunning," pirates operating from this centre have added yet another vessel to the list of those on the China coast which they have successfully pirated.

The s.s. "Hopsang," an Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. vessel, which left Swatow for Hong Kong towards sunset last night, was pirated (presumably by pirates embarking as passengers) in the neighbourhood of Bias Bay at midnight. The exact manner of the piracy and subsequent events are not yet known but, according to a wireless message received in Hong Kong, this morning, a European passenger was injured.

The vessel, under the control of the pirates, was then taken to Bias Bay and the pirates disembarked with their loot. The extent of this also is not known. The "Hopsang" was carrying general cargo and it cannot be ascertained whether specie was being carried as well.

The vessel, which was released from Bias Bay at 9 a.m. to-day, arrived in Hong Kong shortly before 2 p.m. and went to C.85 buoy (West Point).

In accordance with the instructions of the Police, no member of the public or of the Press was allowed on board the vessel until the Police had carried out a full investigation and interviewed the

passengers. This will, in all probability, take some three hours.

It is understood that the European passenger was not seriously injured. In the Police boat which boarded the vessel on arrival was a local doctor. The wireless message from the "Hopsang" stated that no ambulance would be required. The name of the passenger in question is not known.

The "Hopsang," carrying not more than twelve passengers, is ranked as a cargo boat, and as such the Anti-Piracy Regulations do not apply to her. The Police cannot, therefore, conduct their investigations along the lines, as to whether or not the Anti-Piracy regulations were observed. They are subjecting passengers to cross-examination.

After the examination of the passengers, the "Hopsang" will go alongside Jardine's wharf near the Seamen's Home at West Point.

The following officers were on board the "Hopsang" at the time:—

Captain:—W. J. Booker.
1st Officer:—C. D. Nicoll.
2nd Officer:—F. Webster.
3rd Officer:—G. T. L. Hunter.
1st Engineer:—M. Piveteau.
2nd Engineer:—B. H. Fookes.
3rd Engineer:—A. Campbell.
Wireless Operator:—Cheung Kwong-yung.

According to Lloyd's register, the "Hopsang" was built in 1901 at Glasgow by the London and Glasgow Co., Ltd. Dimensions are:—tonnage, gross 2,149, net 1,359; length 290 feet, breadth 42 feet, depth 15.4 feet.

WIFE WHO LEFT.

HUSBAND AND SUPPOSED RIVAL.

ASSAULT WITH CHOPPER.

The Chinese who admitted wounding another man with a chopper in West Point because the latter had enticed away his wife was again before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning.

The wounded man and accused wife were also present in Court. When the Magistrate told the complainant that the accused had alleged that he had aided and abetted his wife to leave him, this man said he had merely found lodgings for her at her own request.

Magistrate: What business is that of yours? You have no right to interfere between man and wife. Asked why she left her husband the woman said he never supported her and she had to earn her own living.

Magistrate: Many wives have to do that. Are you prepared to return?—No, I should starve if I did. Magistrate: You are the cause of all this trouble. Why can't you shift for yourself instead of getting another man to support you?—No reply.

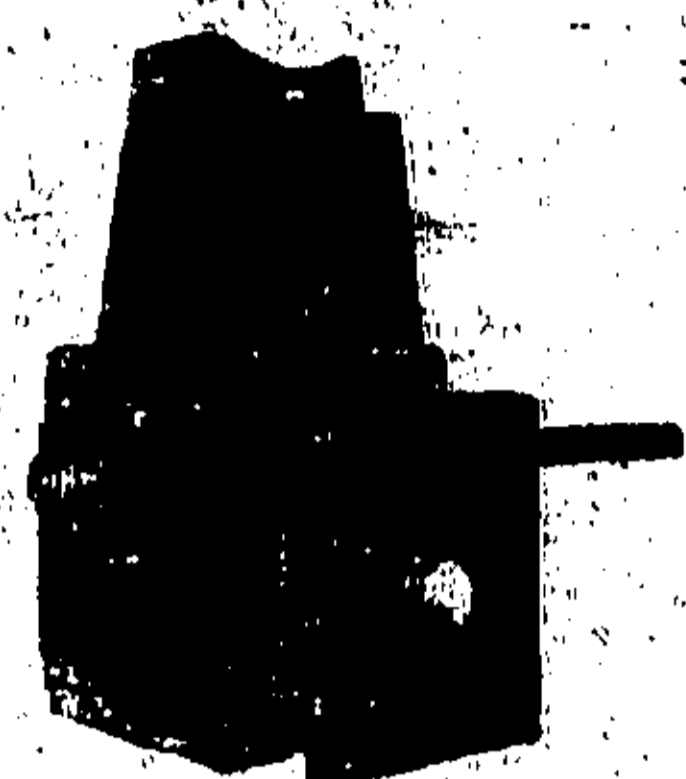
His Worship bound the accused over in the sum of \$100 to come up for sentence if called upon. "I am not sending you to jail because you have been detained a long time," Mr. Lindsell said. "He may have helped your wife to leave you but that does not justify you in using a chopper on him. If I have any more trouble I shall send you to jail. You will be sent to the S.C.A., to see if you can come to some arrangement with your wife."

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NOTICES.

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MR. E. A. RAM retires from this firm on 21st March, 1927, and will have no interest nor responsibility in any work done by the firm after that date. The business will be carried on under the name of Denison, Ram & Gibbs by Messrs. L. Gibbs and E. F. R. Sample.

DENISON, RAM & GIBBS.
Hong Kong, 19th March, 1927.

NOTICE.

WE beg to inform the public that hitherto cheques and other negotiable instruments and all other documents, chopped with the chop of our firm and countersigned by our Manager, Mr. Pun Yat Kai only, were recognized and admitted by us. Mr. Pun Yat Kai, however, being now unable to reside permanently in Hong Kong owing to business affairs abroad, WE HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that on and after this date our firm will recognize and admit all cheques and other negotiable instruments and all other documents chopped with the chop of our firm and countersigned by either the said Mr. Pun Yat Kai or our Treasurer, Mr. Woo Pak Fong, and we shall not be responsible for or recognize any documents otherwise executed.

Dated the 18th day of March, 1927.

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Hong Kong, 22nd March, 1927.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

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List of Unclaimed Telegrams
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Rufo Martinez, Kowloon Hotel,
from Manila.

E. A. LEGGATT,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

NOTICES.

GANDE, PRICE & CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Ice House Street, (St. George's Building) on WEDNESDAY, the 30th March, 1927, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd to the 30th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

C. BOND,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 22nd March, 1927.

THE BRITISH LEGION.

Hong Kong & China Branch.

THE 6TH GENERAL MEETING will be held at 5.15 p.m. on THURSDAY, 24th inst., in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.

BUSINESS:

To receive the Report and Accounts for the year 1926.
To elect Officers.

R. E. CABLE,
Hon. Sec. & Treasurer.
Hong Kong, 21st March, 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, 26th March, 1927, commencing at 2.15 p.m. The first race will be run at 1.50 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. for all persons including Ladies.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5, each up to FRIDAY, 25th March, 1927.

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Hong Kong, 21st March, 1927.

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THE ANNUAL MEETING of the above Association has been postponed to FRIDAY, April 1st, 1927, at 5.30 p.m.

By Order,
C. E. S. UPSDELL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 22nd March, 1927.

NOTICE.

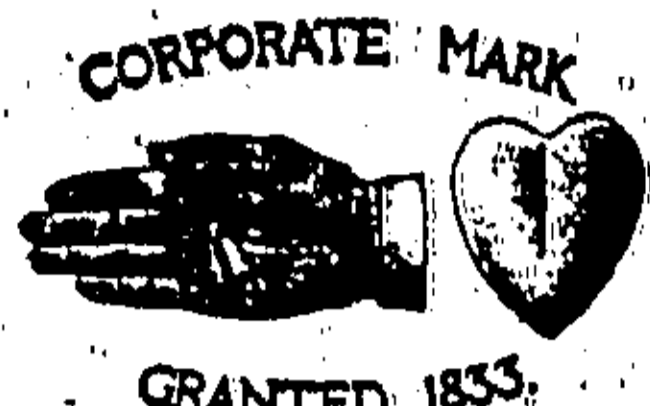
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Hong Kong.
Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

THE HONG KONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, 29th March, 1927, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 23rd to the 29th March, 1927 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 16th March, 1927.

NOTICES.

HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the Hong Kong Engineering & Construction Company, Limited, will be held in the Office of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of March, 1927, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1926, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 8th March, 1927.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 6, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, 1927, at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 23rd March, 1927, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,
LOOK POONG SHAM,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on MONDAY, the 28th March, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927.

NOTICES.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY (since its registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 26th March, 1927, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1926.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 18th day of March, to MONDAY, the 28th day of March, 1927, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 14th March, 1927.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 26th MARCH, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 11th March, 1927.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE 38TH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of March, 1927, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 22nd March, 1927, until WEDNESDAY, the 30th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

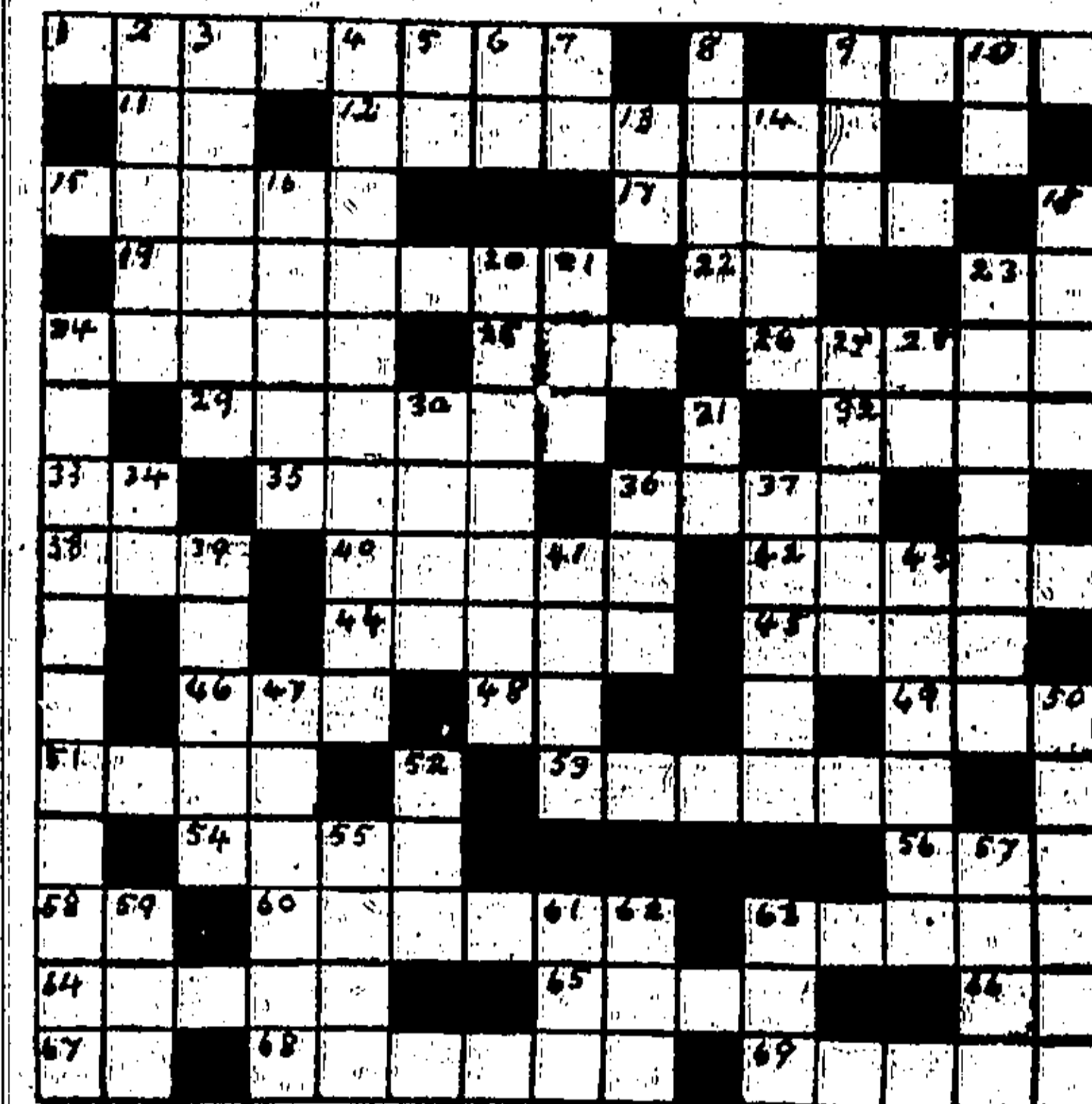
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

"CHINA MAIL" CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

NO 10—\$50 MUST BE WON

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3. An entry fee of fifty cents must accompany each coupon. Three entries, however, may be sent in together for one dollar. Letters sent through the post must not contain coins as they will not be delivered by the Post Office.
4. No entry will be considered under any circumstances whatsoever, unless entry money for each solution is enclosed.
5. Entries must reach the office of the "China Mail" not later than the time and date for closing announced on the coupon.
6. No responsibility is accepted for loss or delay in the post. All letters should be registered and/or sealed.
7. The prize of \$50 must be won and will be awarded for an all correct or nearest correct solution. In the event of ties the \$50 will be divided. No competitor may win more than one share of the prize in each competition.
8. The coupon must not be defaced in any way. All attempts must be in plain block letters and legible.
9. The Editor's decision will be final and binding in all matters of dispute, and he reserves the right to enter into correspondence regarding the Competition.
10. Solutions will be published with the results, in this paper, every Thursday following the Closing Date.
11. Coupons will be kept for four days after the results of the competition have been published.
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Clues Across.

1. A long picture or writing in silk, that rolls up (Jap.).
9. To grasp.
11. Prefix meaning "Twice" or "Double."
12. Magazine for military stores.
15. Pierce.
17. Sombrero guano.
19. Bent down.
22. Exclamation of joy.
23. To proceed.
24. A large watery fruit.
25. A point.
29. The right of first choice belonging to the eldest.
32. Lengthens.
33. Sixth note in scale.
35. A peer of the realm.
36. A tap for liquor.
38. Printer's measure (plural).
40. To form as an orb.
42. To stir up.
44. A genus of moths.
45. An eagle's nest.
46. A period of years.
48. Electro-Plate (abbrev).
49. The yarn for a weaver's warp.
51. To cry like an owl.
53. Somers.
54. Prescribed foodstuff.
58. ISN (actual).
59. IA (actual).
60. To crowd.
63. One of the irregular Turkish cavalry.
64. Treble reed musical instruments.
65. A Greek spoutless vase or jug.
67. NA (actual).
68. Heavily built.
69. An inlet of the sea.

Clues Down.

2. Ill use.
3. An upper garment.
4. A salad dressing.
5. Alternative.
6. NS (actual).
7. OE (actual).
8. To mix small.
9. HST (actual).
10. Number abbreviated.
13. Word of denial.
14. A limestone.
15. Unbound.
18. To fling heedlessly.
20. To confine.
21. A maid employed in a dairy.
23. CREAMY (actual).
24. A wrong doing.
27. A country bumpkin (then reverse it).
28. United Kingdom (abbrev).
30. The eagle.
31. To perform any action.
34. First pers. sing. of verb "To Be."
36. CBA (actual).
37. A thin silk.
39. The wing case of a beetle.
41. Tears open.
43. The muse of astronomy.
47. Severe spasmodic pains in the intestines.
50. To send away.
52. Consumed.
55. First.
57. To close.
59. A camel's hair garment.
61. A loath on a wheel.
62. A town in Cambridgeshire.
63. SEP (actual).

Competitors are reminded that the prize is to be awarded for the correct solution, or if nobody succeeds in getting the correct solution, for the NEAREST correct solution. Therefore, even if you have not done the cross-word puzzle in full, send in what you have done—it may prove to be the nearest correct solution.

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| TOMIURA MARU | Sunday, 27th March. |
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| MISHIMA MARU | Saturday, 23rd April. |
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The "Delhi" came second with 52; the "Emerald", third with 46; and the "Benbow" (Atlantic Fleet), "Durban" (China), and "Crown" (Red Sea) each reported 45. First place on the mercantile side was taken by the British Tanker Co., Ltd., with 81 successful exercises; the British India Steam Navigation Co. being second with 79; and the P. and O. Co. third with 76; while the Ellerman Lines and the China Navigation Co. tied with 69 each.

SHIPS IN PORT.

This morning there were 73 ocean-going merchant vessels in Hong Kong harbour, of which number 25 fly the British flag. During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. to-day there were 19 arrivals (8 British) and 16 departures (3 British).

COOK'S STRIKE OVER.

The local office of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha has been informed that the strike of cooks on the company's vessels is now over and that the boats concerned have sailed again.

One of the 273 women deck passengers on the Dutch s.s. "Van Hentz" gave birth to a daughter during the ship's voyage here from Delhi in the East Indies.

Coming here from Pakhoi, the French s.s. "Raymond Polneux" reported the death while the ship was at sea of Mr. Tong Pak-cheung, a Chinese passenger, yesterday.

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"HANOI" PIRACY.

SUSPECT REMAINED UNTIL TUESDAY.

The alleged "Hanoi" pirate was again before Mr. Lindsell at the Magistrate's this morning. Chief Detective Inspector Murphy applied for another week's remand to enable the Police to find a man who could say that when accused visited him a month before the piracy he did not have any of the jewellery, clothing, overcoats, etc., of good quality which he brought on the second visit a few days before his arrest.

The Inspector added that he thought that the Police had collected sufficient evidence to have the accused committed.

The Magistrate: Oh, yes, enough to send him before a jury. The Inspector: Of course, if the papers from the French authorities arrive in the meantime, we would have to alter the procedure.

His Worship granted a remand until 10 a.m., on Tuesday next.

SLOGAN FOR PORT.

MANCHESTER CANAL CHIEF'S SUGGESTION.

The first post-war annual banquet of the Manchester Steamship Owners' Association was held at the Midland Adelphi Hotel, Manchester. Among the apologies for non-attendance there was one from Lieut.-Col. W. H. Stott, M.P., who was too unwell to travel to Manchester to speak to one of the directors. Mr. E. Latimer, managing director of the Manchester Ship Canal Company, had hoped to be present, but was out of the country.

Mr. Theodore Fischer, of Messrs. Fulmer, Junker and Co., and Swedish Consul at Manchester, presided over a large attendance.

Mr. H. M. Gibson, chief superintendent of the Manchester Ship Canal Co., in proposing the Manchester Steamship Owners' Association, said the association was formed in 1894, when the total tonnage of cargo in and out of the canal in 1894 was less than one million tons, while last year it was six million eight hundred thousand. As to the prospects for the future it seemed to him that they were back to normal as regards manufacturing, but they were not back to normal in the carrying trade, which meant that since the war some of the countries were using goods which they did not manufacture before the war. He advocated the placing in prominent places in Manchester the following slogan:—

Let's all use our own port, the near port, the best port; The more we use our own port, the more prosperous are we; For my port is your port, and your port is my port, And the more we use our own port, the more prosperous we will be.

LINERS CHANGE HANDS.

The White Star Line have bought from the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company the liners "Ohio" (19,000 tons) and the "Oreca" (18,000 tons). They will be renamed "Albertus" and "Calgaric" and will trade between Liverpool and Canada during the coming spring.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong on March 21 by s.s. "President Cleveland" from Manila were:—Miss H. L. Ankeny, Mrs. O. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown, Miss C. M. Bartlett, Mr. J. C. Black, Miss M. Clement, Rev. I. Cordero, Miss E. F. Cooper, Miss G. Davis, Miss M. Ebers, Mr. C. H. Foster, Miss L. Grammino, Mrs. A. T. Honokendoff, Mr. J. C. Hirsch, Mr. A. G. Henderson, Mr. R. Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. P. Jones, Miss L. C. and Mr. L. H. Jordan, Miss E. S. Jennings, Miss Edna Jones, Miss E. L. Johnson, Miss M. A. Johnson, Mr. Lim Uy-kong, Master C. Lane, Mr. B. A. Louis, Mr. H. V. Lacy, Master H. A. Lacy, Mrs. H. S. Moore, Mr. B. Moore, Miss E. H. N. Oettinger, Mr. Nuendorf, Mrs. A. Rothbirch, Mr. F. A. Raguda, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Smith, Mrs. M. H. Sheeks, Mr. S. Tatsumi, Mr. G. Van Trionhoven, Mrs. W. Weinzenheimer, Master K. Weinzenheimer, Miss M. E. Wilson, Mr. Chin Woo, Miss A. A. Wilcox.

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The E. I. s.s. "Janus" left Singapore for this port on March 16, p.m., and is due here to-morrow, p.m. The B. I. s.s. "Teesta" left Singapore for this port on March 18, p.m., and is due here on March 25, a.m. The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Yokohama on March 18, and is due at Vancouver on March 27. The P. & O. s.s. "Gogra" left Singapore for this port on March 20, at 6 p.m., and is due here on March 27, at about 7 a.m. The Ben Line s.s. "Beneluch" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here on March 27. The m.v. "Japan" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.) left Antwerp on March 17, and is due here on or about April 20.

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| EMPIRE OF CANADA | June 1 | June 4 | June 7 | June 10 | June 19 |
| EMPIRE OF RUSSIA | June 22 | June 25 | June 28 | July 1 | July 10 |
| EMPIRE OF ASIA | July 11 | July 15 | July 19 | July 22 | July 31 |
| EMPIRE OF CANADA | Aug. 1 | Aug. 5 | Aug. 9 | Aug. 12 | Aug. 21 |
| EMPIRE OF RUSSIA | Aug. 24 | Aug. 27 | Aug. 30 | Sept. 2 | Sept. 11 |

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| HAWAII MARU | Thursday, 5th May. |
| LA PLATA MARU | Thursday, 5th May. |
| BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo. | Sunday, 20th March. |
| SHUNKO MARU | Sunday, 3rd April. |
| SUMATRA MARU | Tuesday, 19th April. |
| HONOLULU MARU | Tuesday, 19th April. |
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| MEXICO MARU | Sunday, 1st May. |
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| BANGKOK—Via Saigon. | Monday, 28th March. |
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| HOZAN MARU | Sunday, 27th March, 10 a.m. |
| KAIJO MARU | Sunday, 3rd April 10 a.m. |
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| KOTSU MARU | Thursday, 24th March 8 a.m. |
| TAKAO | Thursday, 24th March. |
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| | Saturday, March 19 | 5 a.m. |
| SEMPORNA | Saturday, March 19 | 11 a.m. |
| | Sunday, March 20 | 5 a.m. |
| LAHAD DATU | Sunday, March 20 | 8 a.m. |
| | Monday, March 21 | 5 p.m. |
| JAMBONGAN | Monday, March 21 | 6 a.m. |
| | Tuesday, March 22 | 2 p.m. |
| SANDAKAN | Wednesday, March 23 | 5 a.m. |
| | Thursday, March 24 | 6 a.m. |
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| ALPINE | 8,273 | 2nd April | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way |
| DELTA | 8,097 | 27th April | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way |
| MALWA | 10,041 | 30th April | Marseilles and London |
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| TAKADA | 6,949 | 31st March | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| JANUS | 4,824 | 17th April | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| TILAWA | 10,000 | 25th April | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| TALMA | 10,000 | 26th April | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

| | | | |
|--------------|-------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| * ST. ALBANS | 4,500 | 1st April | Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island |
| ARAFURA | 6,000 | 29th April | Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, &c. |
| TANDA | 6,958 | 3rd June | Melbourne. |
| * ST. ALBANS | 4,500 | 1st July | |
| ARAFURA | 6,000 | 29th July | |

* Calls Kolambagan, but omits Sandakan.

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

| | | | |
|---------|--------|------------|--------------------------------|
| JANUS | 4,824 | 25th March | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka |
| TRESTA | 5,296 | 10 April | Amoy, Moji & Kobe |
| LAHORE | 5,252 | 27th March | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| GOGRA | 5,181 | 27th March | Shanghai |
| MALWA | 10,041 | 1st April | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| DELTA | 8,097 | 1st April | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| TILAWA | 10,000 | 2nd April | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Osaka |
| ARAFURA | 6,000 | 5th April | Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama |
| TALMA | 10,000 | 6th April | Moji, Kobe & Osaka |
| JEPPORE | 7,643 | 12th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| NELLORE | 8,563 | 15th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| KHIVA | 9,135 | 15th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| NYANZA | 7,023 | 20th April | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| MORICA | 10,514 | 20th April | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| TANDA | 6,958 | 8th May | Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama |

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

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| | | |
|------------------------|----------------|------------|
| S.S. "ATREUS" | Via Suez Canal | 25th March |
| S.S. "TEUCER" | Via Suez Canal | 8th April |
| S.S. "CITY OF DUNKIRK" | Via Suez Canal | 22nd April |
| S.S. "EUMAEUS" | Via Suez Canal | 8th May |
| S.S. "CITY OF DERBY" | Via Suez Canal | 22nd May |

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SAILINGS RESUMED.

CHINA MERCHANTS' CO.'S
DECISION.

OFFICERS RE-ENGAGED.

Shanghai, March 10.
At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the China Merchants' S. N. Co., held on Tuesday evening, it was decided that the company should resume the sailing of its vessels on whatever runs that are possible within as short a period as possible.

According to a member of the Board who was interviewed by a representative of the "North-China Daily News" yesterday afternoon, the China Merchants would resume its sailings to Ningpo, Tientsin, Chefoo and Wenchow within a few days. The seamen's strike having ended and the men having returned to their posts, the company was re-engaging a number of the foreign officers whose services were dispensed with recently. Vessels were being overhauled and it would not be long before the regular sailings to the places mentioned would be resumed.

Owing to the commandeering of vessels on the Yangtze River run, five of which (the Kiangsu, the Kiangchow, the Kiangyin, the Kiangwah and the Kiangnan) were still in the hands of the Allied military authorities, the management did not think that it was practicable to resume this run at the present time.

So far as the services to Canton, Swatow and Foochow were concerned, the Seamen's Union had consented to return the vessels which they seized and services would be resumed in the near future.

"LUTINE BELL."

MYSTERY OF A MISSING
STEAMER.

A dramatic rise and fall in re-insurance rates on the Greek steamer "Odysseus" (5,527 tons), which is missing in the Mediterranean, marked the proceedings at Lloyd's. Efforts to establish wireless communication with her have failed.

The "Odysseus" is bound from Novorossiysk, Black Sea, for Antwerp with a cargo of Russian grain. The fact that she was overdue was known at Lloyd's and inquiries showed that so far as could be ascertained, she had not passed Gibraltar. Thirty guineas per cent. was quoted for reinsurance against total loss, and the rate quickly rose until 30 guineas per cent. had been reached.

The famous "Lutine" bell which is rung as soon as definite news reaches Lloyd's of the safety and position of a vessel overdue, sounded, and the crier announced from his rostrum that a wireless message had been received from the master of the Danish steamer "Erik Boye" that his wireless operator had heard the "Odysseus's" call signal at 10 o'clock that morning. This report was taken to mean that the two vessels had been in communication, and the reinsurance rate fell to 40 guineas per cent. until it was realised that the call might have been one sent out in the hope of finding the missing vessel.

The mystery remained unsolved, and the reinsurance rate rose to 50 guineas per cent.—evens.

LOW OUTPUT FOR CLYDE.

London, Feb. 27.

The Clyde shipbuilding output for February was the lowest on record, only 14 crafts, mostly small, being launched.

The total for the first two months of the current year was only 13,000 tons, compared with 50,000 tons for January and February last year.

Nevertheless, the outlook is improving as a gratifying number of new orders recently were booked.

HONGKONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide predicting Machine, which is prediction of tides, from the records of 40 components for the better suit of the analysis of the tide observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Dobereck during the years 1887, 1888, and 1889.

The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high and low water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the phenomena being quite distinct.

March 18 to 24, 1927.

| DATE | High Water | Low Water |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|
| March | Standard Time | Standard Time |
| Wed. 18 | 10 10 | 5 40 |
| Thurs. 19 | 10 30 | 5 20 |
| Fri. 20 | 10 50 | 5 00 |
| Sat. 21 | 11 10 | 4 40 |
| Sun. 22 | 11 30 | 4 20 |
| Mon. 23 | 11 50 | 4 00 |
| Tues. 24 | 12 10 | 3 40 |

GERMAN BUILDING.

HAMBURG SHIPYARDS: BIG
FUSION.

REPLY TO BREMEN TRUST.

Berlin, Jan. 26.

The important negotiations that have been going on for some time past between the great Elbe shipbuilding firm, the Deutsche Werft, on the one hand, and the State of Hamburg and the Reihersstieg Company on the other, with regard to a fusion of the two shipbuilding concerns, have now, to the immense relief of Hamburg shipping and shipbuilding circles, ended in a satisfactory agreement between the Elbe firms. The danger is thus averted that the Bremen shipbuilding trust, at the head of which are the Weser yards and the banking house of Schroeder, after having already got a footing in Hamburg through their fusion with the Hamburg Vulcan yards, should extend their operations on the Elbe. The action of the Bremen Trust is regarded in Hamburg almost in the light of an invasion.

By the new arrangement the sphere of the Bremen Trust in Hamburg has now been effectively isolated, and the tactics of the Trust have been frustrated. To bring about this result, the Hamburg State has given generous financial support to the new fusion, which will henceforth be known as the Reihersstieg-Deutsche Werft Company.

Under this new scheme the boards of management of the two undertakings have agreed that the dock and repairing works belonging to the Deutsche Werft at Tollerort, a little below Hamburg, shall be removed to the Reihersstieg yards. The capital of the Reihersstieg yards is to be raised from M. 1,500,000 to M. 3,500,000, the new shares being taken over by the Deutsche Werft. It is important to note that the Pinkenwerder yards of the Deutsche Werft will not be affected by the above agreement, and that these yards will continue work as a separate and independent undertaking.

Improving Navigation.

The removal of the Deutsche Werft's works from Tollerort and the complete liberation of this area releases the Hamburg harbour authorities from the serious navigational dilemma in which they had got themselves by allowing the Deutsche Werft to build yards at this bend of the river. The evacuation of the Tollerort area will make it possible to regulate the Elbe channel. The numerous accidents and collisions that have taken place between this spot and the Kuhwaerder Hafen have clearly shown the impossibility of continuing the present arrangement. Had the Deutsche Werft, which has a lease of the Tollerort area that has still 32 years to run, yielded to the tempting offers made by the Bremen Trust, the position would have become intolerable for Hamburg.

The Hamburg State, the owner of the site in question, in order to forestall this danger, has now agreed to grant the Deutsche Werft the sum of M. 3,000,000 as compensation for relinquishing its lease. In this connection, the Hamburg State has received in return certain rights to construct new docks at Pinkenwerder on land now in the hands of the Deutsche Werft. Nothing definite has yet been divulged as to the details of this part of the agreement, but it is expected that the details of this part of the agreement will be made public in the near future.

The Bremen Group seems to have done its utmost to come to an arrangement with the Deutsche Werft, even going so far as to offer the Deutsche Werft a leading position in the trust. The recent orders for new vessels given by the Hapag to the Deutsche Werft helped to stiffen the resistance of the Hamburg company against any inclination it may have had to throw in its lot with the ambitious Bremen Trust.

The Deutsche Werft's 8000-ton repairing dock that has hitherto been stationed at Tollerort will be the more welcome at the Reihersstieg Werft, whither it is now to be removed, seeing that the Reihersstieg's 20,000-ton dock was sold to Holland when Metzel & Freytag took over the Reihersstieg works last year. An arrangement between the Deutsche Werft and the Reihersstieg was the more feasible, as there was never any real rivalry between the two firms. The Deutsche Werft's activities being concerned in the main with the building of big motor ships, while the Reihersstieg was chiefly interested in repairing work. By taking over the repairing docks of the Deutsche Werft, the Reihersstieg expects to benefit in no small measure from its new connection.

The transaction is interesting not only as a measure of self-defence undertaken by Hamburg against the threatened encroachment of Bremen, but also from the point of view of fusion tactics in the shipbuilding industry. The original proposal was that all the Hamburg shipbuilding yards should combine for the purpose of fighting the Bremen shipbuilding trust. The most important Hamburg shipbuilding firm, that of Blohm & Voss, was, however, opposed from the outset to such fusion, firstly, because the firm is a purely family concern, and, having anything to do with any secondly, because it is well provided with orders through its close connection with the Hamburg America Line and the Hamburg South

America Shipping Company, so that it would only stand to lose by directly participating in a general combine. Blohm & Voss has nevertheless given its benevolent support to the Reihersstieg-Deutsche Werft fusion in order to block the extension of Bremen's influence on the Elbe.

The "Hamburgische Börsen-halle" points out that the shipbuilding crisis can now be regarded as a thing of the past, and as the big shipping companies have lately seen their way clear to place extensive new orders, there is no longer any necessity for individual firms to consider the need for a general fusion in an industry so little adapted to such a process.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "General Metzinger" are reminded that claims must be sent to the Agent before March 25 or they will not be recognised.

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All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Anderson & Ash on the 25th of March, 1927, at 10 a.m.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Under-signed before the 28th of March, 1927, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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DAMAGED PACKAGES will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10 a.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, 1927.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

J. LIMAGE,
Agent.

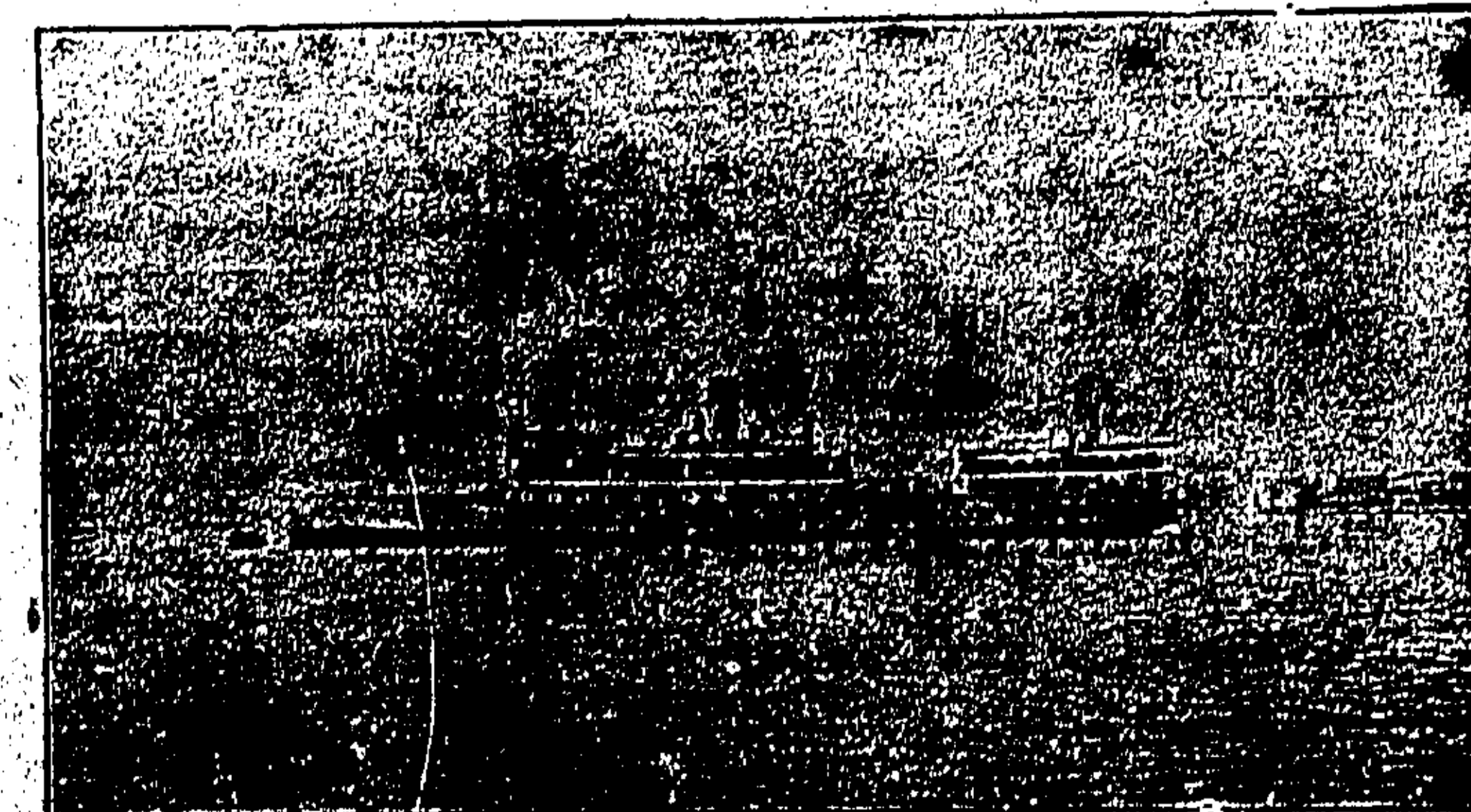
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BLANFORD.—On March 2, 1927, at
Newchwang, South Manchuria,
to Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Blanford,
of the Asiatic Petroleum Co.,
a daughter.

MERIAN.—On March 14, 1927, at
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J.
Merian, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

JOHNSON—REID.—On March 14,
1927, at Singapore, Beryl
Blanche Reid, of Shanghai, to
Frank Ashton Johnson, of
Soebang, Java.

DEATHS.

BENHAM.—On February 12, 1927,
at Aldershot, Elizabeth, wife of
the late Thomas Benham, of
South Farborough, Hants, and
some time of Leamington Spa,
aged 88 years.

HARMON.—On March 9, 1927, at
Tientsin, Mary, wife of Frank
Harmon.

RICH.—On March 14, 1927, at
Shanghai, Richard F. Rich,
Revenue Department, S.M.C.,
aged 31 years.

Hong Kong, Tuesday, March 22, 1927.

EYES ON SHANGHAI.

All eyes are centred on Shang-
hai now that it has actually been
occupied by the Southerners.
Assurances have been forthcom-
ing already that there is no in-
tention to take the International
Settlement by force. A promise
has also been given that the Na-
tionalist Army will protect in
full measure the life and property
of foreign residents, and the
schools, churches, and hospitals
of foreign ownership within and
without Settlement limits. It
might be politic to accept such
assurances in the spirit in which
they have been given by General
Ho Ying-yun, Commander-in-
Chief of the Southern Army in
Chekiang. Unfortunately recent
history elsewhere cannot but
make us sceptical of the power of
either the Commander-in-Chief or
the Nationalist Government to
carry such assurances into effect,
however willing they may be. If,
the critics will say, and not with-
out reason, the mob in Hankow
was permitted to get out of hand,
what security is there for foreign
lives and property in Shanghai in

SURVEYING CLASS.

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A Surveying class is being formed
by the Hong Kong Technical
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Stewardship.

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A striking record of the manner
in which the honesty and integrity
of the Chinese Customs servants
has kept China solvent throughout
the years, especially since the Re-
volution, is contained in a report
on the collection and disposal of
the Maritime and Native Customs
Revenue since the Revolution of
1911 which has been issued in book
form.

The report, which also contains
an account of the loan services ad-
ministered by the Inspector General
of Customs, is by Mr. Stanley F.
Wright, Commissioner of Customs
and Personal Secretary of the In-
spector-General, and was written in
view of the question of Tariff Au-
tonomy, with the prospect of in-
creased revenue collection, being
much to the fore.

It is an account of the steward-
ship exercised by Sir Francis Aglen
in pursuance of arrangements sanc-
tioned by the Chinese Government
for the due safeguarding of interna-
tional and national obligations
secured on the Customs revenue.

Revenue Collection.

Very considerable work must
have been entailed in the compila-
tion of a report which is as com-
plete as it could possibly be. It
details the various stages in the
course of which the revenue collec-
tion, at first insufficient for the
full service of the foreign
obligations, has become
the security for a large por-
tion of China's national debt; the
authorities in virtue of which the
debt was accepted and maintained
have been collated and are here for
the first time brought together in
convenient form; and in the Appen-
dices will be found many useful
tables in explanation of the work-
ing of the various loan services.

From its perusal one is made
aware that beyond a comparatively
trifling sum for the clerical work
involved in this custodianship, it has
cost the Chinese Government no-
thing; while large sums of interest,
accruing from balances awaiting
disbursement at the meeting of loan
payments, have been utilised for
maintaining credit or have been
placed at the disposal of the Chi-
nese Government for special pur-
poses.

The book constitutes the strongest
possible reply to those who regard
foreign control of the Customs as
undesirable, if not actually unjust,
and it must always be borne in
mind that China has pledged the
revenues of her Customs service as
security for money borrowed from
foreigners and from these revenues
the interest is paid, and foreign con-
trol of the Customs is the only safe-
guard China's creditors have.
Without it, China's financial in-
tegrity would sink to the level of
the bankrupt and the revenues
would be at the mercy of unscrupu-
lous position-seekers and oppor-
tunists who since the Revolution
have had the run of official appoint-
ments without the wrath of an Em-
peror.

Pre-Revolution Days.

Prior to the Revolution the In-
spector General exercised no direct
control over the revenue further
than to arrange through his Com-
missioners at the various Treaty
Ports for the correct assessment,
according to tariff rates of Customs
duties and duties and for the ac-
counting to the Government of the
amounts thus assessed. In view of
the danger subsequent to the Revo-
lution of revolutionary leaders
seizing for their own ends the
Customs revenue collected in their
provinces—and the attempts which
were made in many instances with-
out reference to Peking—the col-
lecting of revenue at all ports was
placed under the control of the
Inspector General and in his hands
was also entrusted the task of se-
curing that all obligations secured on
that revenue were duly met.

Under this guidance, over a hun-
dred million pounds of China's for-
eign debt has been liquidated dur-
ing the last fifteen years and of two
hundred and eighty-two million dol-
lars, domestic debt. It is evidence
of prudent stewardship which seeks
the security not of the common weal
or party but of the common weal
and the source of the people as a whole
is seen in the nation-wide scope of
the various institutions and enter-
prises which are detailed in the
book as having had financial assis-
tance extended to them from Cu-
stoms revenue.

Developing China.

Such objects include plague pre-
vention and quarantine services for
grappling with epidemics which, if
not held in check, might devastate
half a continent; the building on an
extensive scale of river dykes to
control floods and thus stay the de-
struction of property and the ravages
of famine; the removal of bars and
the deepening and training of river
channels of facilitate trade and
navigation; the carrying out of sur-
veys of China's coast and water-
ways and many other objects con-
cerned with the preservation of the
country's rights and the develop-
ment of her resources.

The book bears tribute to the
manner in which the aim has been
steadily kept in view of maintaining
national honour at home and abroad
and to help in creating a firm finan-
cial footing on which China's
Government in the future can

SEEING IN THE DARK.

WOMEN WITNESSES' OBDRATE
CLAIMS.

REBUKE BY MAGISTRATE.

The two Chinese arrested in con-
nection with the armed robbery in
Wongneichong village on March 14
were charged before Mr. R. E.
Lindsall yesterday afternoon.

Evidence was given by the aged
mistress of the raided matched, the
first one on entering Wongneichong
valley. She was awakened by loud
knockings on the door about 1 a.m.
As she went out to investigate, she
saw four men enter by a window.
Two went into her married son's
cubicle while the other two drove
her into the other cubicle occupied
by herself and her daughter. One
man went through her pockets and
took \$25 in notes. He also relieved
her of a pair of earrings. She did
not see any of the men carry weap-
ons, but two of them had torch
lights.

The daughter said she was seized
in bed and relieved of a gold bangle,
a jade bangle and a pair of gold
earrings with jade drops. One of
the men seized her by the throat
when she attempted to shout and in
the struggle which followed she fell
underneath the bed where the rob-
ber lost grip of her throat. She
lost no time in crying out "robber"
and "save life." This scared the
robbers and they bolted. She also
did not see any weapon in the men's
hands.

The old woman's daughter-in-law
said two men entered her cubicle.
One had an electric torch and the
other a chopper. They relieved
her of a pair of gold-mounted rat-
tan bangles. Just then her sister-
in-law raised the alarm and the
robbers bolted.

The last witness's husband said
he recognised the chopper in one
of the robbers' hands as his own
most chopper which was kept in the
cook house. As soon as the rob-
bers bolted after the alarm was
raised witness jumped out of bed
and followed them. At the door
he saw one of the robbers drop the
chopper. The robbers divided. Two
went down the valley and the other
two ran up the hill. Witness fol-
lowed the latter two. They were
well up the hill before the other vil-
lagers joined the chase. The rob-
bers had nearly completed a circle
of the village when they were even-
tually brought to earth. They were
held in the village until the police
arrived. The other two robbers got
clear away.

The evidence of the second and
fourth witnesses (the daughter and
ward) was given in a straight for-
ward manner. They both admitted
they could not identify any of the
men who entered their matched, as
the place was in darkness at the
time. They merely recognised the
two accused as the strangers who
were brought back after the chase.
Neither of the accused lived in the
village, nor were they seen there
before.

The Magistrate encountered much
difficulty, however, in shaking the
evidence of the old woman and her
daughter-in-law who both claimed
to identify the accused as two of
the four robbers who had raided the
matched, and actually went into de-
tails of their movements during the
raid. It was not until after a lot
of the Court's time had been wasted,
and the Magistrate had pointed
out to them the folly of maintain-
ing the impossible, which only had
the effect of weakening their case,
and might even contribute to the ac-
cused's discharge, that these wo-
men eventually admitted their in-
ability to identify the accused a-
all, let alone to the extent of saying
what each man actually did during
the robbery. They just knew the
accused as the two men who were
captured after the robbery.

At 5 o'clock Sergeant Rozewsky
still had six witnesses to call, so
the Magistrate remanded the ac-
cused until Friday afternoon next.

\$12,000 FINE.

OPIUM FOUND IN ARRIVAL'S
LUGGAGE.

A Chinese who had just landed
from the Wuchow steamer had his
luggage searched by Revenue Of-
ficers on the Kwong Leung wharf
yesterday afternoon. The search
brought to light 100 taels of non-
Government opium.

The man was charged before Mr.
R. E. Lindsall this morning and
pleaded guilty.

A fine of \$10,000 or in default
12 months' hard labour was im-
posed and the opium confiscated.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

A highway robbery took place in
Samsuiho last night. A Chinese
was walking in Tan Nan Street at
7 p.m., when he was tackled from
behind by two men, one of whom
was armed with a dagger. He
struggled violently and was badly
cut about the hands. The highway-
men eventually got away with a
metal watch and a rolled gold chain
with a coin pendant worth \$12.
The victim is now in hospital.

A partner of a Wusang Street
shop has reported to the police that
another partner absconded on Jan-
uary 3 last with \$1,586 belonging
to the firm.

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wherever possible Chinese agencies
that work for the welfare and ad-
vancement of the Chinese people.

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tion—but Heifetz the incompar-
able. Not merely Heifetz the
virtuoso, the amazing master of
technique, but Heifetz the dis-
tinguished musician. So one
found him at the first of his re-
citals here last night. One met
again the same engaging person-
ality, radiating youth and vitality,
the same unassuming but self-
possessed manner, the same finely
tempered but firm tone and extra-
ordinary left hand facility. One
admired once more the superb
bow control, the clear cut har-
monies, the delicate phrasing and
infinite variety of tone colour, and
the always perfect understanding
of the musical subject. The art of
Heifetz is the product of both
head and heart. It is a blend of
keen intellectualism with a well
developed artistic temperament,
the one quality preventing the
other from developing either into
the purely scientific or the entire-
ly emotional. Heifetz is indeed a
rare combination of virtues! He
possesses, too, in no mean quan-
tity the one distinguishing quali-
fication of the truly great artist—
the happy ability to hit art
squarely in the centre.

The programme, if not startling,
was at least varied. It opened
with a somewhat florid Chaconne
of Vivaldi and followed with the
ever popular Mendelssohn Con-
certo. The blare of a neighbour-
ing band to some extent marred
the first movement, but we were
compensated in part by the
Adagio in which whatever may
be said of the work as a whole—
Mendelssohn does rise to unlooked
for heights. In this case Heifetz's
treatment of the movement re-
vealed beauties of whose existence
we had never previously guessed.
The finale, taken at headlong
speed, was worked up to its
climax in most arresting and
spirited style. As the most inter-
esting of the group of four pieces
in the second portion of the pro-
gramme, one would choose an
exquisite morsel of Debussy, "La
fille aux cheveux de lin," evident-
ly much to the liking of the audi-
ence for it was repeated upon
request. The screech of motor car
brakes here vied for supremacy so
that the final passage in har-
monies was entirely spoiled. The
highly ornamental Caprice No.
24 (Paganini-Auer), a veritable
tour de force, enabled the violin-
ist to exhibit every turn and trick
of which the instrument is cap-
able. A stupendous performance
this and, with the Perpetuum
Mobile of Ries, executed with all
the extraordinary precision and
skill for which Heifetz is famed.
Mr. Achron accompanied with
his accustomed sympathy. He is,
in fact, not only accomplished in
this direction but as a soloist also,
as those who heard him play
some years ago in Shanghai will
agree.

The lack of programmes was
keenly felt and would have caused
a sad test of musical memory if
it had not been for the welcome
announcements from the stage.
Judging from the packed and
enthusiastic house, we shall
soon (?) have cause to con-
gratulate ourselves in Hong Kong
upon our musical taste which, like
that of the New Yorker, does not
prevent a just appreciation also of
jazz!

—H. L. W.

COLONY'S HEALTH.

TEN MORE CASES OF SMALL
POX NOTIFIED.

THREE DEATHS LAST WEEK.

Ten cases of small pox, five in the
Victoria district and five in Old and
New Kowloon, were reported in yester-
day's return of notifiable
diseases. All ten were Chinese.
Yesterday's return also included
two cases of diphtheria, one Portu-
guese and the other Chinese, and
one case of cerebro-spinal fever,
Chinese.

Last week there were fourteen
cases of small pox, nine in the
Victoria district and five in Old and
New Kowloon, and one in Aberdeen.
Twelve of the cases were Chinese
(one imported) and the other two
were Malay. Three were fatal.
Last week there were also five
cases of enteric fever, three in the
Victoria district, one in Old and
New Kowloon, and one in Shaik-
wan. They were all Chinese, one
being imported. There were two
deaths.

One case of puerperal fever,
Chinese, completed last week's
health return.

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MISSING CONSTABLE.**Alleged Bribery Case Witness.****CROWN IN DILEMMA.**

There was an unexpected development at the Criminal Sessions this morning in the case in which Wong Chik-sun is charged with offering a bribe to an Indian constable in connection with the seizure of opium on defendant's person (defendant has already been fined for opium possession).

Sir Joseph Kemp, Attorney-General, addressed Mr. Justice Woodhouse on the opening of the case this morning and stated that the Indian constable in question could not be found and the Crown could at present offer no explanation for his absence. The constable had been given the usual monthly leave of twenty-four hours at 8 a.m. yesterday and had not reported back to Police Headquarters. He had no alternative, said Sir Joseph, but to ask for an adjournment.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin (for the defendant) opposed the application and stated that the defendant, who had only come to Hong Kong in connection with the Races had already been subjected to considerable inconvenience. Owing to this unfortunate occurrence he had been detained very considerably and it was necessary that he should return shortly to his home in the country.

His Lordship intimated that he would adjourn the case until 2.15 to enable the Crown to offer some explanation. Failing a satisfactory explanation of the witness's absence or his actual presence he would have to dismiss the case.

Sir Joseph pointed out that some accident might have befallen the man. In the event of the hypothetical explanation that he had been drowned, the Crown might not be in possession of this information for a day or two. Was the Crown therefore to have the case dismissed?

His Lordship said he thought the Crown should be in a position to offer some explanation by 2.15 p.m. Otherwise he would have to dismiss the case.

The jury were requested to attend this afternoon.

DEATH AT 108.**REMARKABLE FRENCH-WOMAN'S CAREER.**

France's oldest woman is dead. She was Madame Gailhard and her death has taken place at St. Flour, where she spent most of her life, at the age of 108. Madame Gailhard had a wonderful old age. After she had reached a century she sang old operatic airs, danced, did ample justice to the meals prepared for her, and was a connoisseur of good wines. She had an extraordinary memory. One of her most cherished memories was a kiss she received from General La Fayette when at ten years of age she offered a bouquet to the hero of American independence, who was making a political tour in Auvergne.

Only recently she took a trip to the Riviera. To the last her mind was lucid. She read the newspapers without spectacles and took particular interest in political happenings. Last year she was photographed with conscripts of the 1927 class, and promised to celebrate with them their release from military service—a promise which, judging from her state of health at the time it was given, there was every probability that she would be able to keep.

A RECORDER'S PROTEST.

"In the present barbarous state of our law on the subject, I have no alternative but to send you, to prison," said the Recorder, Mr. E. C. Hemmerde, K.C., at Liverpool Quarter Sessions in sentencing James Whitworth, a labourer, aged 40, to a year's hard labour for being an incorrigible rogue.

Mr. Hemmerde added: "I desire once more to make a protest against the barbarous law which compels me to pass these idiotic sentences on people who are really mental cases. It is time something was done to bring our criminal law into line with more civilised European countries."

"It is ridiculous that a man who is a mental case should be sent to do hard labour which can do him no possible good, simply because the people responsible for the administration of justice in this country will not take the trouble to look into the matter."

DE PINEDO'S FLIGHT.

Manoas, March 21. The Marquis Di Pinedo, the famous Italian aviator, has arrived from Guajaramirim, thus completing the first and most difficult flight over the Brazilian wildernesses. —Router's American Service.

A salesman of a rice shop in New Street is alleged to have absconded with \$189 which he collected on behalf of the shop between February 20 and March 14.

GIRLS AS COOKS.**"AID TO DOMESTIC HAPPINESS."**

A business girls' course is being started in the department of cookery at the headquarters of the Institute of Hygiene, 28, Portland-place, W., where for some time cookery classes have been conducted but hitherto no special attention has been paid to the business girl. In conversation with a Press representative, Mr. Seymour Harding, the secretary, said so many business girls did not have the time or the facilities for cooking. "They are always busily engaged during the day, so we are starting these courses for them in the evening. Of necessity, when they marry, the majority of them have to step straight from the office stool or the factory to the altar, without having had any serious preparation in the domestic arts, especially in cooking. It might be argued that much domestic unhappiness is due to the absence of this knowledge. We have already about ten business girls on our lists wishing to take the course. We are only waiting for a sufficient number of girls—say, twenty—in order to commence the classes."

The institute has secured as consulting chef M. Paul Fernan, chief

MARBLE FLAT.**ALABASTER AND BLACK GLASS.**

There is being prepared in Devonshire House, Piccadilly, W., a large flat which will be like the palace of an idle dream.

This flat—which has 25 rooms, including 6 bathrooms—is on the fourth floor of Devonshire House, and is being decorated by Mr. Oliver Hill, the architect, for the owner.

Details of the decorations, which have apparently been chosen without regard to cost, were given to a reporter by Mr. Hill.

The walls, floor, and ceiling of the dining-room will be of sun-coloured marble from Italy. The table will be of verdite, a dark green marble from Africa, and there will be a sideboard of the same substance. Round the room will stand four lamps of red and golden onyx, with lights glowing in golden onyx bowls. The room will also be lit by lamps glowing through the sun-coloured marble ceiling.

The windows of the room will be of deep yellow Verona marble, engraved with silver, and the doors of oak.

The long gallery of the hall has a green marble floor and walls of black and silver-grey oak. It will

EGG LAW.**COURT'S ANSWER TO PLEA.**

"If the Bench can give me a correct definition of a new-laid egg I shall be greatly obliged, because no one has been able to do so yet."

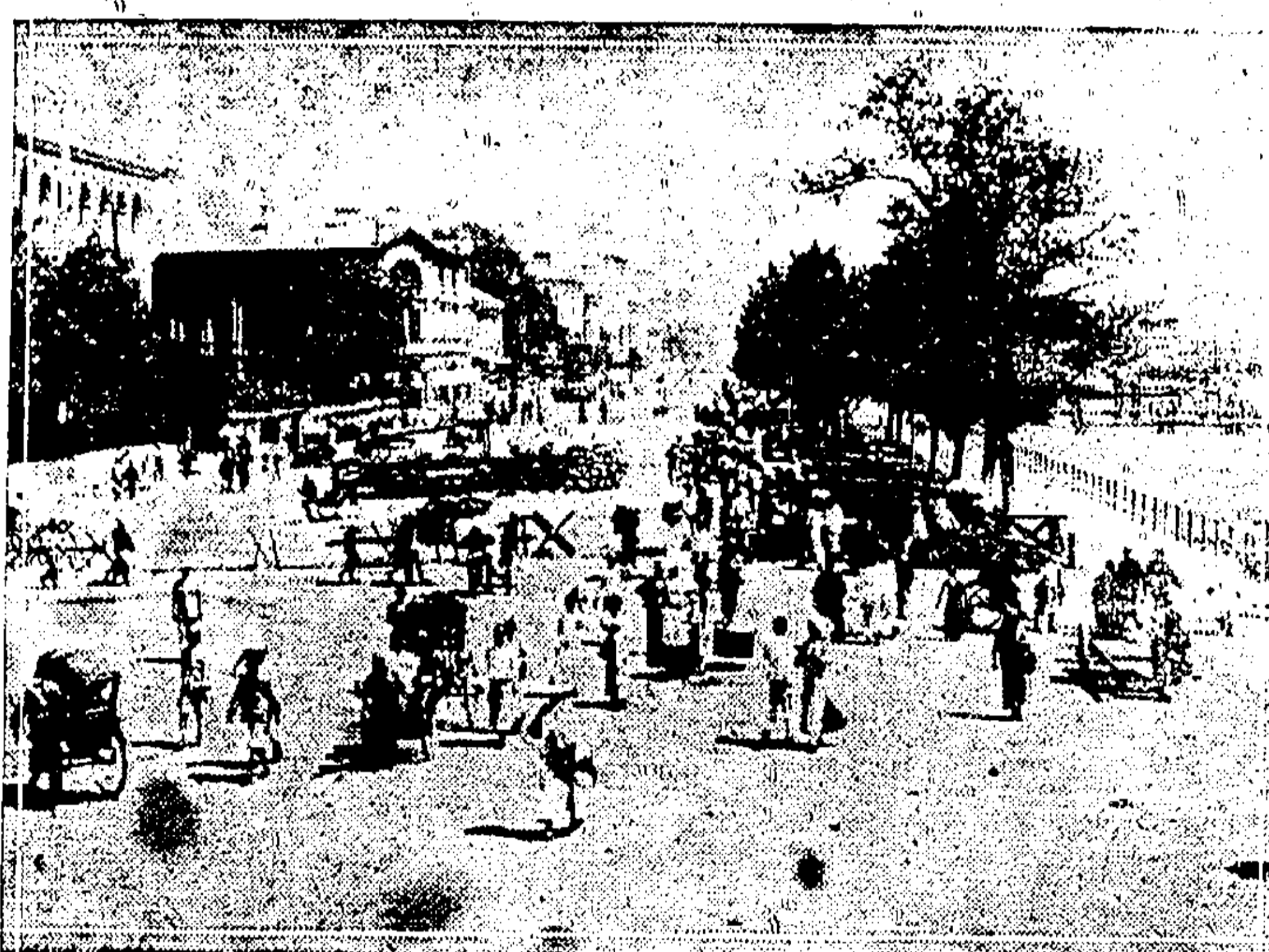
This remark was made by a solicitor at Enfield Police Court defending George Wheeler, an Enfield tradesman, summoned for exposing for sale eggs marked "new-laid" without including in the description the word "imported."

"Of all the orders made to bewilder shopkeepers, the one relating to eggs is the worst," the solicitor added. "A shopkeeper cannot sell imported eggs without so marking them, yet he can sell as new-laid English eggs which have been pickled for 6 months."

A fine of 20s. was imposed.

SALT FOR THE TEETH**DENTAL ADVICE BY SIR HARRY BALDWIN.**

If measures in dental hygiene were adopted and intelligently and steadfastly pursued from early years few teeth would ever be lost.



Scene in Hankow, China, showing barrier on the British Bund at the Custom House.

chef to the House of Commons, and he visits the institute on Tuesday mornings and gives demonstrations in practical cooking. He instructed about fifty women how to cook and stuff a chicken. The majority were cooks and housewives.

A BABY IN FLAMES.

How a child received fatal burns while her mother was out at work and her father—a night worker—was asleep, was described at an inquest held at Beckenham on the 23-months-old child of Frederick Ernest Leat, a Post Office worker, of St. Hugh's Road, Anerley.

The father stated that for eight years he had lived with his wife and four children in one room. On the Wednesday, having come home from night duty, he was left with the baby, whom he took to bed with him. About mid-day he was awakened by the baby's screams, and found her standing on a burning easy chair with her night-clothes alight. He assumed that she had picked up a piece of burning paper, and had dropped it on the chair. It was not his wish that his wife went to work. She did so because of the depression of living in one room.

Mrs. Leat agreed with her husband's statement, and said they had tried hard to get a house. "I feel I cannot remain every day in one room," she added.

The coroner recorded a verdict of accidental death, and expressed the hope that for the family's sake the mother would soon succeed in getting more accommodation.

DOG BITES A COOLIE.

A dog owned by Mr. Chew of No. 11 Castle terrace, was yesterday taken to Kennedy Tower for observation after having bitten a coolie. The coolie received treatment at the hospital.

PEDDER BUILDING THEFT.

Mr. Graham Brown, architect, of Pedder Building, top floor, had a Remington portable typewriter stolen from his premises yesterday.

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be lit by "artificial daylight" from the ceiling.

One of the bedrooms has orange-coloured alabaster walls, an ivory-coloured marble floor, and a partly sun-bath of jade-green marble.

One of the bedrooms will be in the Venetian style, with arched pillars of engraved glass, and a colour scheme of blue, pink, and grey. Another will be panelled in cedar wood.

In the library there will be a mantelpiece of yellow marble and lapis lazuli.

STRANGE BED-FELLOW.**A BOA-CONSTRUCTOR AS COMPANY.**

"Wadduwa, Jan. 20.

The story of "how a youth was saved from a perilous situation by the timely arrival of his fiancée for whom he was waiting, which is said to be the one subject of conversation in Wadduwa is told by a correspondent of the place. He writes:—It appears that a young man, who was keeping an appointment with his fiancée, near a jungle laid himself down to sleep as she had long delayed to meet him. He awoke to find a boa-constructor resting its head on his body and looking intently at him. The terror-stricken youth remained perfectly still and while he was in this position the girl arrived and with the assistance of villagers whom she hastily summoned the snake was killed. The couple were married two days after."

WEALTHY SCOTSMAN'S WILL.

Under the will of the late Mr. Edward Clark, a member of the firm of Messrs. R. and R. Clark, printers, Edinburgh, the following sums have been left:

£10,000 each to the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary and the Heriot Watt College, Edinburgh, for the purpose of furthering the teaching of typography under the auspices of that college.

A like sum is bequeathed to such institution in London as the trustees may see fit; and a further sum of £10,000 may also be available to endow a printing school for Edinburgh.

£5,000 for Red Cross purposes, £3,000 to St. Cuthbert's Church, Edinburgh, and £1,000 each to the Edinburgh Sick Children's Hospital and the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers.

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March 22—Queen's Theatre: "The General."

March 22—World Theatre: "Revenge of Kriemhild."

March 22—Star Theatre: "The Early Bird"; "Loving Lies."

March 22—Jascha Heifetz at the Queen's Theatre, 9.30 p.m.

March 22—Theatre Royal: "The Last of Mrs. Cheyne," 9.15 p.m.

April 1, 2, 4, 8, 9—Theatre Royal: "H.M.S. Pinafore," 8.30 p.m.

April 6—Theatre Royal: "H.M.S. Pinafore," Matinee, 4.30 p.m.

Sports.

March 26—First extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, at Race Course, Happy Valley.

March 26—Twelfth Annual Sports meeting of H.K. University Athletic Association, University ground, Pokfulam, 2.30 p.m.

Meetings.

March 23—Fifth annual meeting of H.K. Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd., Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co., Ltd., 11.30 a.m.

March 23—Sixteenth annual meeting of the Bank of Canton, Ltd., 6, Des Vœux Rd., Ctl., 2.30 p.m.

March 23—Annual meeting of the Assn. of Past & Present Comm. Students of H.K. University in the University Union Hall, 5.15 p.m.

March 26—Thirty-first meeting of the Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., 2, Lower Albert Rd., noon.

March 26—Forty-second meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11 a.m.

March 28—Annual meeting of Hong Kong Lawn Tennis, Hong Kong Cricket Club pavilion, 5.30 p.m.

March 28—Fifty-eighth general meeting of H.K. Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, noon.

April 1—Hong Kong Automobile Assn. meeting, Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, 5.30 p.m.

March 29—Annual meeting of the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., 2, Queen's Bldg., noon.

March 29—Extraordinary meeting of the China Light & Power Co. (1918) Ltd., St. George's Bldg., Charter Road, 2.30 p.m.

March 30—Thirty-eighth annual meeting of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., St. George's Building, 11 a.m.

March 3—Annual meeting of Cande, Price & Co., Ltd., 2, Ice House Street, noon.

Lammerts Auctions.

March 22—Household furniture will be sold by Messrs. Lammert Bros. at their Sales Room, 2.30 p.m.

March 23—Household furniture, at 101, Austin Road, Kowloon, will be sold by Messrs. Lammert Bros., 2.45 p.m.

March 23—A valuable collection of postage stamps, will be sold at Messrs. Lammert Bros. Sales Room, 5.15 p.m.

March 28—Household furniture in No. 5, Queen's Garden, May Rd., will be sold at 2.45 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

March 25—Organ Recital at St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.

March 28—Formation of surveying club by the Hong Kong Technical Institute, at Room 9, Queen's College, 6 p.m.

April 9—Annual dinner of Queen's College Old Boys' Association, College Hall, 8 p.m.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

A collection of postage stamps
will be auctioned by Messrs. Lam-
mert Bros. at their Duddell Street
sales rooms at 5.15 p.m. next Mon-
day.Fixed at first for Monday
(March 28), the annual meeting of
the Hong Kong Automobile Associa-
tion has been postponed to
Friday (April 1) at 5.30 p.m. in
Messrs. Jardine's board room.When the aeroplane carrier
"Argus" now in Hong Kong har-
bour passed Malacca about 3.30 in
the evening to the many natives
who observed it on the horizon it
occasioned great wonder, and many
and varied were the comments pas-
sed as to what it might be.Racing men in Siam would ap-
pear to be working with some
qualit cattle, judging by the follow-
ing comments on a recent race
meeting in Bangkok:—"Rosary"
seems to have added many more
beads to her string, and her ob-
session seems to be stopping on the
way to count them. Mr. Percy Vere
is to be congratulated on having
rightly named his griffin Stagger
Home. If all the others should die
Stagger Home might possibly win
a race.Says a Shanghai paper: A Scot-
tish lady, who took her four-year-
old pride to see the S.V.C. parade
last Sunday, asked him, when the
last unit had passed, "Well, and
which do you like best?" Of
course, she hoped the wee bit man-
nie, with all the pride of a long
line from the hills running strong
in him, would make sturdy answer
that none bore comparison with the
Shanghai Scottish, and she all but
swooned when he said in a tired
voice, "Mumme, I like the one in
glasses the best."Over two hundred members of
the Royal Society for the Preven-
tion of Cruelty to Animals have
signed a requisition asking for an
extraordinary general meeting to
discuss a resolution in favour of
proceeding vigorously with the
campaign against the export of
horses for butchery. The resolu-
tion also asks that a special depart-
ment of the R.S.P.C.A. shall be
formed for this purpose, and
A. M. F. Cole appointed as or-
ganiser. The Council must call an
extraordinary general meeting when
requested to do so by a hundred
and fifty members, so the only ques-
tion now is what date will be chosen
to discuss this extremely important
subject. It is a matter that cannot
be delayed.An Oxford cinema has been
placed out of bounds to undergrad-
uates on the ground that rowdiness
has occurred there.The Association of Past and
Present Commercial Students of the
Hong Kong University are
holding their annual general meet-
ing in the University Union Hall
to-morrow at 5.15 p.m.During excavation in a bunker
at Musselburgh golf course the
skeleton of a man was laid bare. A
doctor who examined the bones
states that the skeleton must have
been where found for considerably
over a century.A vivid flash of lightning oc-
curred at Kuala Lumpur recently
and Mr. J. N. Walwright, of Guth-
rie and Co., who with two friends
was walking down Federal Hill,
was knocked over by it and badly
shaken, though fortunately he re-
ceived no injury.There were two falls of snow
in Shanghai between noon on Mon-
day and the same time yesterday,
says the "North China Daily News"
of Wednesday, March 16. Neither
were heavy, but they made the air
very nippy. The first fall was on
Monday night and the other yester-
day morning. This, in spite of the
fact that we are supposed to be
enjoying the spring.The three men charged at the
Criminal Sessions yesterday were
convicted of participation in the
cantooz nunnery robbery and of
that of the contractor's matchbox on
the higher plateau, the two older
men being sentenced to six years'
hard labour on each of the counts
and the younger third man to one
year's hard labour on each, the sen-
tences to run concurrently.While the trawler "General," of
Leith, was at work in the North
Sea 210 miles north-east of the
Isle of May, a large skull was brought
up in the trawl net. It measures
about 4 feet 10 inches long by 3
feet 4 inches across. On the
arrival of the trawler at Leith, Mr.
Flockhart Newhaven, communicated
with the Natural History Depart-
ment of the Royal Scottish Museum,
to which the skull was conveyed.
It was identified as that of a large
specimen of the bottle-nose whale,
probably about 24 feet long.As the result of being knocked
down by a motor car opposite the
Wing Lok wharf, a Chinese youth
was yesterday taken to the hospital
suffering from injuries to his legs.The "Times" states that the
Scottish Board of Health has decid-
ed to invite tenders for the erection
of a further 1,000 steel houses in
the industrial areas where the need
of new accommodation is most
pressing. On inquiry at the Scot-
tish Board of Health it was stated
that the distribution of the houses
has not yet been decided upon, but
they will be allocated to areas
where they are most required.J. Ray, of Ipoh, who was re-
cently arrested in Singapore on a
warrant issued by the Ipoh magis-
trate, on a charge of criminal breach
of trust, at the instance of United
Motors, Ltd., of Ipoh, and was sen-
tenced to three months' rigorous
imprisonment at Ipoh, was produced
in the Kuala Lumpur police court
before Mr. J. W. Hughes, on a
warrant issued there charging him
with cheating Tong Sun, the pro-
prietor of a firm of tailors and out-
fitters, of 29, Batu Road, in respect
of a sum of \$133. The accused
pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to
six months' rigorous imprisonment,
the sentence to run consecutively
with the sentence imposed at Ipoh.The sun smiled gently on Hyde
Park on Sunday in mail week but it
was not strong enough to blunt the
edge of the bitter wind that drove
the society promenaders from their
parade ground by the Achilles
statue to the more sheltered side of
the Row. There were two things
that fixed my attention (says a
"Daily News" writer). The first
and more serious, was the appar-
ent leap in popularity made by certain
types of French cars. The second
was the preference for dogs with
short legs. Five out of six of the
dogs led or carried by women in
this promenade came near the old
description of the dachshund—a
dog and a half long and half a dog
high. Scottish breeds predominated—
Cairns, Aberdeens, and West
Highland Whites, with here and
there a dachshund proper, a Dandie
Dinmont, or a Sealyham. Among
the few long-legged specimens I
saw was a downy-haired dog that
had evidently begun life as a
French poodle, but now was cover-
ed with long hair except for just
an inch above each paw. I noticed
only two Alsatians, and these were
both led by men.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. D. E. B. Cook, of Bousted
and Co., Penang, the Rugby foot-
baller, is sailing for Home on medi-
cal advice.Two Naval dances have been ar-
ranged for Thursday, both to start
at 8.45 p.m. H.M.S. "Danae" ship's
company are holding theirs in
Messrs. Lane, Crawford's restaurant
and H.M.S. "Titanic" and Sub-
marines will be at the Helena May
Institute.Marshal Chang Tso-lin on March
15 celebrated his 55th birthday in
a very quiet way. The Marshal re-
mained in the house where he is
residing and many friends called to
congratulate him, but nothing in the
nature of a reception or an enter-
tainment was held.Sympathy will be expressed for
Mr. C. J. Tachai of the Public
Works Department and his brother,
Mr. P. G. Tachai, on the death of
their mother at Home at the ripe
age of 86. Mrs. Tachai was the
widow of Mr. C. G. Tachai,
freeman of the City of London and
master of the Joiners' Company,
Aldersgate in 1836.Up to Saturday in mail week the
baby Princess had been at Bruton
Street, but she was taken early in
the afternoon to Buckingham
Palace by car. The Queen was
waiting to receive her. A large
crowd assembled at the Palace gate,
but there was little to see, for the
Princess, carried by her nurse, was
apparently soundly asleep (says the
"Sunday Chronicle"). She was
immediately carried to the "Blue
Nursery," which will be her quar-
ters for the month or so before she
goes to her maternal grandmother,
the Countess of Strathmore. To
the Palace also went "Tex," the
Duchess's favourite gold Labrador,
who is at once a guardian and friend
of the baby Princess, who coos with
delight when she sees him. The
Blue Room is one of the rooms in
the suite which Prince George has
occupied since his return from
China. Prince George has now
moved into the rooms used by the
Duke of York when a bachelor.
Every morning the Princess is
taken for an airing in Hyde Park
in her perambulator.Capt. J. S. de Wolf the popular
skipper on the Hong Kong-Tientsin
Line of the China Navigation Co.
returned from Home leave by the
P. & O. s.s. "Devanha" on Sunday.The forthcoming marriages are
announced of Mr. L. V. Fairley
(widower), merchant, of Shanghai
to Miss M. Pemberton, nurse, of
Sydney; Mr. T. P. H. Blake, mer-
chant, of the A.P.C., Shanghai, to
Miss J. A. S. Hamilton, of the
Helena May Institute; Mr. R. H. M.
Ody, merchant of Canton, to Miss
A. Wain, of Philadelphia.The Countess of Kintore and her
daughter, Lady Hilda Keith-
Falconer, who are at present the
guests of H.E. the Governor of the
Straits Settlements and Lady Guil-
liam at Government House, are
touring the East, and have arrived
at Singapore from Indo-China,
where they visited Angkor ruins.
They intend to leave for Bangkok
shortly.The fact of the Duchess of York
spending part of her time while on
the "Renown" in practising rifle
shooting has drawn attention to
women's increased interest in this
branch of sport (says a "Daily
Chronicle" writer). Not only in
Britain, but in the Colonies and
Dominions it is becoming extremely
popular. In Africa a considerable
number of women now practice regu-
larly at miniature rifle shooting,
and I hear, from a friend in Mil-
longwe, in the wilds of Nyasaland,
that the club there has over 30
members, most of whom have to
motor 16 miles or more to reach the
range.After a long illness, the death
took place yesterday of Mrs. E. W.
Dawson, at the age of 48, the wife
of a former Government servant in
Hong Kong. The funeral passes
the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.
Sympathy will go out to the de-
ceased lady's relatives, she being
sister to Mr. F. C. Mowfung, J.P.,
Mr. E. Mowfung, Mrs. W. Fincher,
Mrs. E. Mackay and Mrs. Parkinson
of Fookhow. Mrs. Dawson was a
trained nurse and had been assis-
tant matron at the Lunatic Asylum.
She went Home on leave last year
and became a victim of cancer, re-
turning to Hong Kong this January.
She leaves two sons, one of whom
is studying in England.Among the candidates proposed
for election as Fellows at the Feb-
ruary meeting of the Royal Society
of Arts was the Hon. Mr. Tan
Cheng-lok, of Malacca.Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander-
Sinclair, upon relinquishing his ap-
pointment as Commander-in-Chief,
China Station, had the honour of be-
ing received by the King at Buck-
ingham Palace on Feb. 9.Three of the cruisers now on the
China Station are shortly to receive
new commanding officers. Captain
R. B. Ramsay, who had been select-
ed to command the "Vindictive" in
succession to Captain Ronald
Howard, is appointed to succeed
the "Despatch," and Captain D. B.
Le Motte, from the latter, will go
to the "Vindictive" in his place.
Captain Le Motte joined the "Des-
patch" in China last April, and had
formerly been Senior Naval Officer
in the Danube. The third cruiser to
exchange captains will be the
"Emerald," in which Captain Hugh
T. England is to be succeeded by
Captain H. G. C. Franklin, who
takes up his first command since
being promoted in June, 1925.The Hon. George Henry Hubert
Lascelles, elder son of Princess
Mary Viscountess Lascelles and
Viscount Lascelles celebrated his
fourth birthday at Goldborough
Hall. He was born on February 7,
1923. He has come on tremendously
of late (says the Press Association's
Knaresborough correspondent),
and nothing delights him
more than to be taken out driving
in the country lanes about Gold-
borough. Such drives constitute
one of the features of Princess
Mary's home life, the children be-
ing taken out in a smart little
governess car drawn by a small
pony. It is understood that any
toys of a mechanical nature excite
the Hon. George Lascelles's atten-
tion. In fact he had a decided pre-
ference for engines and motor cars
whose works can be explored.
The birthday was celebrated very
quietly by purely a family gather-
ing. The younger son, the Hon.
Gerald David, is growing rapidly,
and will soon be three years of age.
He therefore makes an excellent
playmate for his brother.

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SPORTS SECTION

CARDIFF AGAIN.

HOME LEAGUE SOCCER MATCHES.

CHAMPIONSHIP & RELEGATION.

Four matches in the English Football League were played yesterday.

One of them has a bearing on the championship, another on promotion to division I, another on relegation from division II.

Cardiff City in the lower half of League II was the only one of the four clubs left in the Cup to win on Saturday. They played again yesterday and added another victory. Results as called by Rectory follow:

Division I: Cardiff 2, Huddersfield 0.

Division II: Clapton Orient 1, Swansea 0; Preston N.E. 0, Chelsea 2; Wolverhampton 4, Blackpool 1.

Huddersfield are second in the league. Their defeat by Cardiff puts them further back behind the leaders (Newcastle) who now have an advantage of 3 points and a match in hand.

Clapton are second last in division II. This victory gives them 20 points for 32 matches, level with Darlington who, however, have a better goal average.

Preston were second (40 Middlesborough) in division II. Chelsea now take second place on goal average. Each has 43 points but Chelsea have only played 31 games against Preston's 33.

Middlesborough lead with 49 points for 33 matches.

The victory of the Wolves brings them further away from the danger of relegation.

CRICKET TOUR.

TENNYSON'S XI IN WEST INDIES.

FENDER'S BOWLING.

Port Maria, March 5. A two-day cricket match between Middlesex County (West Indies) and the Hon. L. H. Tennyson's XI was begun to-day.



Mr. P. G. H. Fender, captain of Surrey County C.C. and a fine all-rounder, touring in the West Indies under Lionel Tennyson.

The following are the close of play scores: (1st) 126 runs. P. G. H. Fender took 6 wickets for 40 runs. Tennyson's XI (1st) 230 runs for 4 wickets.

STEEL GOLF CLUBS.

GEORGE DUNCAN GIVES A WARNING.

George Duncan, the professional golfer, on his return from the United States, declared that, owing to the world shortage of hickory, steel for golf clubs will inevitably be used.

During the war hickory was largely used by the American Army, and the second year's growth which makes the best shafts for golf clubs, has scarcely had time to recover. In certain parts of America and Canada steel shafts are legal, but St. Andrew's do not permit their use in this country.

The golf ball cannot be driven any further with a steel shaft. The professionals, as a body, are against its introduction. The best of the steel shafts are being made in England. They may cost 22 (says one writer) against the average price of a guinea for a club with a hickory shaft.

2 RUNNING RECORDS.

Philadelphia, March 21. The Swede, Edwin Wide, broke two world's records for running, as follows:

1 1/4 miles: in 7 minutes, 53 1/5 seconds. 3,000 metres: in 8 minutes, 22 2/5 seconds.

—Reuter's American Service.

ONE-ARMED SWIMMER.

Philadelphia, March 12. A one-armed youth, George Lowery, swam the icy waters of the Manahunk Canal during a snowstorm to-day with sufficient speed to win from six other contestants. More than a thousand spectators lined the banks to witness the first annual midwinter swim of the Mount Vernon Athletic Club. Lowery was cheered as he emerged from the frigid water unassisted after winning the 150-yard grind. The temperature of the water was 22 degrees. —"China Press."

YOUTH WINS.

EX-TENNIS CHAMPION DEFEATED.

H.K.C.C. TOURNAMENT.

Youth had its day yesterday in the Hong Kong C.C. tennis tournament when S. E. Green (an ex-champion) lost by 3 sets to 1 to L. M. Razack, a promising young player from the Indian R.C.

This was in the first round of the open singles. Razack won most of his points by sharp and correct placing along the side lines. The old 'un still showed a great deal of power in his forehand drives to the corner of the court and his length was good. Razack played a fast game and therefore had the old champion beaten, except in the second set.

The holders (H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn) appeared in the first round of the open doubles. Although they won in straight sets from Lloyd and Nowers, they gave a disappointing display in the first set. S. A. Rumjahn was prone to be "wild" again but the tournament is too young to pass judgment yet.

Two good matches ought to be seen in the open singles to-day. Ng Sze-kwong (champion for several years till 1924) being engaged. Yesterday's results:

STROKE LAID UP.

Oxford Spare Man Does Well In Practice.

London, March 21.

The Oxford stroke, W. Llewellyn, has contracted German measles.

The Oxonians were stroked this morning (in their practice at Putney) by A. Hankin, the crew's spare man, who shaped excellently. —Reuter.

TO MEET THE CHAMPIONS.

For the match between the Cricket League champions (Kowloon Cricket Club) and the Rest to be played on the H.K.C.C. ground this Saturday, the following have been selected to represent the Rest:

G. R. Sayer (Civil Service) captain; A. W. Hayward (H.K.C.C.); H. Owen Hughes (H.K.C.C.); F. J. Ling (C.S.C.C.); E. C. Fincher (C.S.C.C.); Captain A. G. Dobbie (K.O.S.B.); Lt. Comdr. T. R. Beatty (R.N.); S. A. Ismail (I.R.C.); T. E. Yeoh (C.R.C.); and Lt. R. F. Wright (R.A.).

STEEPLECHASES.

RACES FOR NEXT FANLING MEETING.

A 2 MILES "NATIONAL."

Entries for the next Fanling Hunt steeplechase meeting (to be held at Kwantai on Saturday, April 9) close on Monday, March 28, to Mr. A. H. Potts (c/o Messrs. Benjamin and Potts) from whom entry forms may be obtained. The card comprises five races, as follows:

The Maiden Plate: 7 furlongs:—for China ponies, that have started twice at Kwantai steeplechases and not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Placed ponies 3 lbs. penalty. Entrance \$5. Winner \$50, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10.

The Easter Handicap: 1 1/2 miles:—for China ponies. Entrance \$5; Winner \$50, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10.

The Fanling National: 2 miles:—for China ponies. W.L. Non-winners that have started at Kwantai allowed 6 lbs. Entrance \$10. Winner a cup, 2nd \$25, 3rd \$15.

The April Stakes: 2 miles:—for China ponies that have regularly hunted with the Fanling Foxhounds in seasons 1925-1927. W.L. Previous winners at Kwantai 5 lbs. penalty. Entrance \$5. Winner \$50, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10.

Consolation Race: 4 furlongs:—for all China ponies that have started and not won at this meeting. Catch weight. Post entries \$5. Winner \$50, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10.

FANLING GOLF.

In the semi-finals of the men's foursomes competition of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, played on the old course at Fanling, T. L. Christie (9) and D. L. Gilmore (14) beat T. D. E. Pendered (3) and W. A. Butterfield (16) by 3 up and 1 to 1. Capt. E. W. Morris (8) and D. G. Bruce (9) beat T. Ramsay (14) and C. P. Lambert (18), 2 and 1.

CLUB VICTORY.

BORDERERS DEFEATED AT RUGGER.

Their fifth successive victory since the "revival" was gained yesterday by the rugby section of the Hong Kong Football Club, in defeating the Border Regt., which had reached the fourth round of the Army Cup before being ordered out here.

The Club won by 5 points (a goal) to 3 (a try) and the game was full of thrills from beginning to end. Territorially, the soldiers had the better of things but the Club defenders hung on tenaciously and kept the Borderers out.

Private Jones, a Welsh international, played a fine game in the first half. The three-quarter line, G. P. Lammert was the Club "star," gaining a good deal of ground by splendid handling and smart evasion. It was one of his solo efforts which led to the Club scoring five minutes after half-time.

Lammert had touched down between the sticks and C. D. Wales added the two points with the place kick. Sergeant Taylor replied but Private Dermott failed to convert. Lt. Cooper and Private Giblin also did well for the soldiers.

TENNIS LEAGUE MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis League will be held on Monday next, at the Hong Kong Cricket Club pavilion at 5.30 p.m. It is hoped that all Clubs engaged in the League last year will be represented.

The following will represent the Volunteer at cricket attached to the Club de Recreo this Saturday at 2.15 p.m. sharp on the Recreo ground:—E. J. R. Mitchell (captain), J. Jordan, C. D. Wales, F. T. Orr, J. A. Summers, R. W. Lee, J. R. Hinton, H. V. Parker, H. F. Westlake, W. Wooding, R. F. Strange.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB.

COURSE BEING GRADUALLY IMPROVED.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The increased Club house facilities provided during the year and the plans which were maturing for a new drainage scheme which would enable the Club to dispense with the cross channels were referred to at the annual meeting yesterday of the Kowloon Golf Club over which Mr. E. Cook presided.

The Chairman was supported by Mr. I. B. Trevor, Mr. A. W. Roberts, Mr. V. C. Labrum, Mr. E. W. Alltree and Mr. J. D. Thomson. A large number of members attended.

The extensions to the Club house, the building of a caddy shelter and the provision of telephonic communication to prevent useless journeys when the course was not available was the subject of reference by the Chairman. Whilst everything was being done to improve the course a check had been kept on expenditure and he hoped that the incoming Committee would continue this policy in order that more debentures could be redeemed and the Club stand on its own feet.

The military had been considering the feasibility of firing practice times and courteous assistance had been received from officials and private individuals. The thanks of the Club were due to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. O. McLagan, and the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. E. Walltree for their kindness and efficient service and the Committee for their whole-hearted co-operation and the devotion of much of their leisure time to the affairs of the Club.

THE OFFICIALS.

The following officials were re-elected: Mr. E. Cook, President, Mr. V. C. Labrum, Vice-President, Mr. J. D. Thomson, Captain of the Club, Mr. E. W. Alltree, hon. treasurer, and Mr. J. O. McLagan, hon. secretary. Messrs. W. Patterson, S. Jordan, A. W. Roberts, I. B. Trevor, and J. C. Long were elected on the committee.

Mr. Carroll suggested that the incoming committee should arrange more matches, and Mr. Thomson replied that matches were already being arranged.

The chairman remarked he was sure that the incoming committee would do their best to meet the wishes of the members in this respect.

Votes of thanks to Mr. Hunt, of the Y.M.C.A. for the use of the room for the meeting, and to the outgoing committee for their good work, concluded the meeting.

AT THE STAR.

"THE EARLY BIRD" TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

There's a real all-star cast in "The Early Bird," which features Johnny Hines and includes in its support such notable screen folk as Sigrid Holmquist, Wyndham Standing, Edmund Breese, Flora Finch, Maud Turner Gordon and Bradley Barker.

All the above-named players carry their portion of this highly interesting photoplay in splendid fashion. Sigrid Holmquist is especially busy throughout the entire picture and Wyndham Standing and Edmund Breese follow in close order.

"The Early Bird" has all to do with a fame to fortune rise of a milk-dog who stops at no obstacles to accomplish what he is after, and how he gains his ends in all cleverly told in a really enjoyable picture.

"Loving Lies."

"Loving Lies" relates the hazards and domestic adventures of a young sea captain who befriends his ship mate's sweetheart in a tragic hour, and when employer and former matrimonial rival, exerts his superiority in an attempt to win the love of his young bride.

The action of the play is laid in a Pacific coast port, aboard several ships and there is no slackening of the pace from the time the title comes on the screen until the final close-up fades out.

Monte Blue, a former sailor in reality, gives a great performance and makes the role of Captain Dan Stover seem more of an actual adventure than a piece of acting. Evelyn Brent plays opposite Monte Blue and Joan Lowell, an Associated Authors "find," plays a difficult part with much understanding. Charles Gerard as the heavy, is also superbly cast.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, MARCH 22, 1927, 10.30 A.M.

| Names | Hong Kong Stock Exchange | Hong Kong Sharebrokers Association | Share & Real Estate Brokers Society |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| T.T. on London | 111 5/8 | 111 5/8 | 111 5/8 |
| T.T. on Shanghai | 80 | 80 | 80 |
| Banks | | | |
| Hongkong Bank | 1090 1/4 | 1087 1/2 | 1090 1/4 |
| do. London | 411 1/4 | 411 1/4 | 411 1/4 |
| Chartered Bank | 421 1/4 | 421 1/4 | 421 1/4 |
| Mercantile Bank, A. & B. | 431 1/4 | 431 1/4 | 431 1/4 |
| do. C. | 413 1/4 | 413 1/4 | 413 1/4 |
| P. & O. Bank | 49 1/4 | 49 1/4 | 49 1/4 |
| Bank of East Asia | 74 1/4 | 74 1/4 | 74 1/4 |
| Marine Insurance | | | |
| Canton Insurance | 562 1/2 | 562 1/2 | 562 1/2 |
| China Underwriters | 66 1/2 | 66 1/2 | 66 1/2 |
| North China Insurance | 145 1/4 | 145 1/4 | 145 1/4 |
| Union Insurance | 291 1/4 | 290 1/4 | 292 1/4 |
| Yangtze Insurance | 438 1/4 | 438 1/4 | 438 1/4 |
| Fire Insurance | | | |
| China Fire Insurance | 205 1/4 | 205 1/4 | 205 1/4 |
| H.K. Fire Insurance | 640 1/4 | 640 1/4 | 640 1/4 |
| Shipping | | | |
| Deuglases | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 |
| Hongkong Steamboats | 20 1/4 | 19 1/4 | 19 1/4 |
| H.K. Tugs & Lighters | 110 1/4 | 110 1/4 | 110 1/4 |
| Indo-China (Prof.) | 30 1/4 | 30 1/4 | 30 1/4 |
| do. (Def.) | 40 1/4 | 40 1/4 | 40 1/4 |
| Shell Transport | 59 1/4 | 59 1/4 | 59 1/4 |
| Star Ferries | 54 1/4 | 54 1/4 | 54 1/4 |
| Water-works | 14 1/4 | 14 1/4 | 14 1/4 |
| Refineries | | | |
| China Sugars | 22 1/4 | 22 1/4 | 22 1/4 |
| Malayan Sugars | 21 1/4 | 21 1/4 | 21 1/4 |
| Mining | | | |
| Benguet | 135 1/4 | 135 1/4 | 135 1/4 |
| Kallian Mining Ad. | 381 1/4 | 381 1/4 | 381 1/4 |
| Langkats (Combined) | 22 1/4 | 22 1/4 | 22 1/4 |
| do. (Single) | 10 1/4 | 10 1/4 | 10 1/4 |
| Shanghai Exploration | 14 1/4 | 14 1/4 | 14 1/4 |
| Shanghai Loan | 7 1/4 | 7 1/4 | 7 1/4 |
| Raubs | 4 1/4 | 4 1/4 | 4 1/4 |
| Trough Mines | 21 1/4 | 21 1/4 | 21 1/4 |
| Ural Caspian | 8 1/4 | 8 1/4 | 8 1/4 |
| Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c. | | | |
| H.K. & K. Wharves | 99 1/4 | 98 1/4 | 99 1/4 |
| H.K. & W. Docks | 40 1/4 | 35 1/4 | 40 1/4 |
| Hongkwa | 150 1/4 | 150 1/4 | 150 1/4 |
| New Engineering | 15 1/4 | 15 1/4 | 15 1/4 |
| Shanghai Docks | 110 1/4 | 110 1/4 | 110 1/4 |
| Lands, Hotels & Midge. | | | |
| H.K. & S. Hotels | 7 1/4 | 7 1/4 | 7 1/4 |
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RADIO TOPICS

A NEW MOVE.

RADIO ACROSS THE
SEAS.

A new branch of activity among amateur transmitters in this country which may yield valuable results in the development of long distance broadcasting has been the recent formation of a Research Section by the Radio Society of Great Britain, says a Home paper's radio expert. The co-ordination affected by this move, it is felt, may help in the solution of many technical problems. In actual long-distance transmission, both of telephony and telegraphy, amateurs have achieved remarkable results, and it now only remains to perfect apparatus and aerial design to ensure a greater degree of reliability. But there are many curious facts about long-distance broadcasting that still require elucidation.

Mr. Gerald Marcuse, one of the best-known British amateurs, told me that, while greater progress had been made in Transatlantic telephony, he still regarded America as the most difficult country in the world with which to communicate. He suggested that it was far easier to communicate eastward from this country than westward, a statement which appears to be borne out by ships' wireless operators, even in the ordinary broadcast band, seem easier to pick up in the Atlantic than British stations working on equivalent power. Mr. Marcuse added that so confident was he of reception from New Zealand that if that Dominion had the necessary apparatus to broadcast on short waves, relays in this country could be arranged practically any day. Experiments between the Radio Corporation of America and the British Company in relaying on either side are still in progress.

A new Osram power valve, manufactured by the General Electric Company, should meet the demand for a good loud speaker valve to operate from a low filament voltage. It works from a two-volt accumulator, and gives excellent tonal purity in loud speaker reproduction, the current consumption being extremely small. The filament is of new design, the effect being to reduce a greatly increased electron emission. The valve gives maximum volume without distortion when used in the last stage, providing even amplification over a wide range of musical frequencies.

WIRELESS LOVE.

The fact that a Viennese woman committed suicide after having fallen hopelessly in love with a broadcaster's voice illustrates a problem which is not unknown to the British broadcasting authorities.

Artists and announcers were extremely reticent about the remarkable letters they received, especially in the early days of broadcasting, but the correspondence department was diplomatically equal to the occasion.

Writers of fervid notes to individuals found themselves warmly thanked by a limited liability company (the British Broadcasting Company) with no neck to be hugged and no lips to be pressed. "We trust you will continue to take such a deep interest in our programmes," was the safe and impersonal ending employed when acknowledging (but ignoring) love-letters.

The envelopes containing these answers were always marked "Personal," so that, as far as possible, the love-lorn correspondent was protected from any teasing by her own family.

Then there were the admirers who, waylaid broadcasters at 2LO, the London station. In one case, at least a glimpse was sufficient to cure the trouble, and an offering of cigarettes went to some other destination.

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THOUSANDS DAILY.

OCEAN PHONE MONEY
DEALS.

Thousands of pounds are being made daily by British firms who are making regular use of the Transatlantic telephone.

Because financial deals depend for their success on speed, London financial houses are using the service to a great extent.

Post Office officials, while not divulging the names of customers using the service, stated that a large number of British firms are using it regularly.

An official of the Overseas branch of the Midland Bank said to a reporter:

"We do a lot of business by telephone to New York in our dealings in foreign exchange-arbitrage in all currencies, and find that the Transatlantic telephone more than pays for itself. The charge of 21s for three minutes may seem high to a man doing small business, but it is well worth it to us. While talking to New York we are able to follow the market movements just as if we were dealing on the London market, and we are able to make our purchases within an instant."



Radio and talking machines have changed people into a "listening public," which no longer plays or buys sheet music according to John Philip Sousa, longer plays or buys sheet music, composers. His income, he asserts, has been more than cut in half since radio became the fad.

WIRELESS POLICEMEN.

Complete With Outside
Aerial.

Another stage in the age-old fight for supremacy between the criminal and society was entered upon when the Chief of Police of the town of Passaic, New Jersey, announced that, if the tests were successful all constables under his command would in future be provided with miniature portable wireless receiving sets in order to keep them in constant touch with the central station at police headquarters. According to the inventor, who himself is a Passaic man, an alarm sent out from the central station will immediately reach all policemen equipped with receiving sets within a radius of three and a half miles.

The sets have one valve and tiny batteries, and are so compact that they are fitted into a box the size of a cigarette case. The policemen will carry collapsible earphones, and will have a small aerial attached to their sleeve or the lapel of their coat. On the outside of their uniform will be fastened a small electric bulb which by lighting up will give them the signal to listen-in. The Chief of Police believes that the invention will be of great assistance in checking crime, and especially in catching gunmen in motor-cars, and "other quick get-away gentry."

SPORE WIRELESS.

LISTENERS-IN WHO DO NOT
PAY.

The Amateur Wireless Society of Singapore continues to supply Malaya with evening concerts principally every Wednesday and Sunday. It appears to get precious little support for its pains. We think it necessary to put in a plea for this admirable little organization because it is not talking, but doing, showing the public of Malaya that the transmission of concerts and the like can be accomplished locally in acceptable manner—performing, in fact, the practical pioneer work that may lead to bigger things in the future. The Society has a fair number of members, who pay an entrance fee of five dollars and a monthly subscription of one dollar; but there is reason to believe that some people in Singapore and up-country who own receiving sets share in the good work by listening-in but do not equally share by paying a subscription. The work of the Society is on a purely amateur basis and involves a great deal of personal attention by those gentlemen who superintend the technical side and arrange the programmes. The expenses are met from the revenue of the Society, but with a larger income it might accomplish greater things. Those who are not yet members of the Society should make application at Union Building, Singapore, where the headquarters of the Society are located—"Straits Times."

SLEUTHS OF RADIO.

Wonder Car to Track
Offenders.

How officials of the General Post Office are tracking down radio oscillators with the aid of a high-powered motor-car, equipped with a specially-constructed direction-finding set, was demonstrated to Press representatives when tests were made in North London. So sensitive are the instruments carried in the car that oscillations can be tracked with certainty to their source, and the house in which is the offending set identified by the simple turning of a graduated wheel.

This wheel, by controlling the direction of a double circular frame aerial, mounted on the roof, affects the strength of signals received on a three-valve super-sensitive selective type, and as the car approaches an oscillating set, a pointer on a circle marked in degrees approaches zero, and when the car is opposite the offender the signals received drop to a minimum. A movement of a yard in either direction alters the signal strength, and thus a particular house is indicated without possibility of error.

When complaints are received by the B.B.C. that oscillation in any area is particularly bad, the Post Office Engineering Department despatch the car with two operators and a driver to the district. With the aid of a large-scale map of London and a binocular compass of the submarine type the district is "combed out," and the offender discovered. The operators inspect the person's licence, inform him that he is oscillating, and give advice and assistance in the working of the set. Should the listener offend twice, he is likely to lose his licence.

The car has been in commission for seven months, but has only been used to track oscillators for about four weeks. Previously it was used to detect, unlicensed transmitting stations. Recently five offenders were caught in the course of three hundred miles.

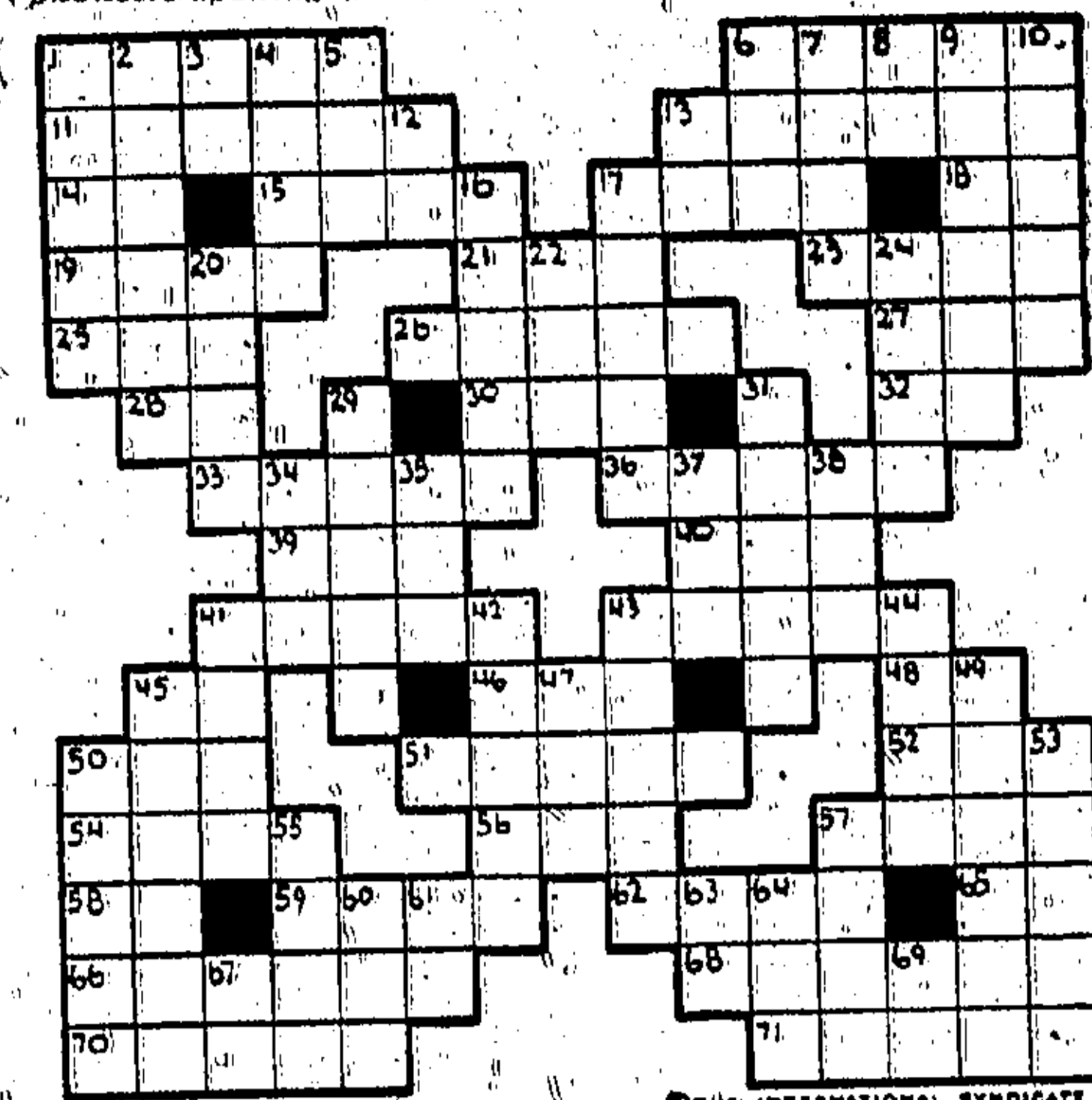
Antwerp's broadcasting station, Radio-Zoologie, was closed down owing to financial difficulties.

Mr. Jack de Frece, brother of Sir Walter de Frece, M.P., has been appointed by the B.B.C. to take charge of the brighter programme campaign on the variety side.

An Essex wireless experimenter Mr. F. A. Mayer, has been in communication with New Zealand for 22 days, enabling an octogenarian, Mrs. Franklin, of Wickford, to talk each day with her son at Christchurch.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



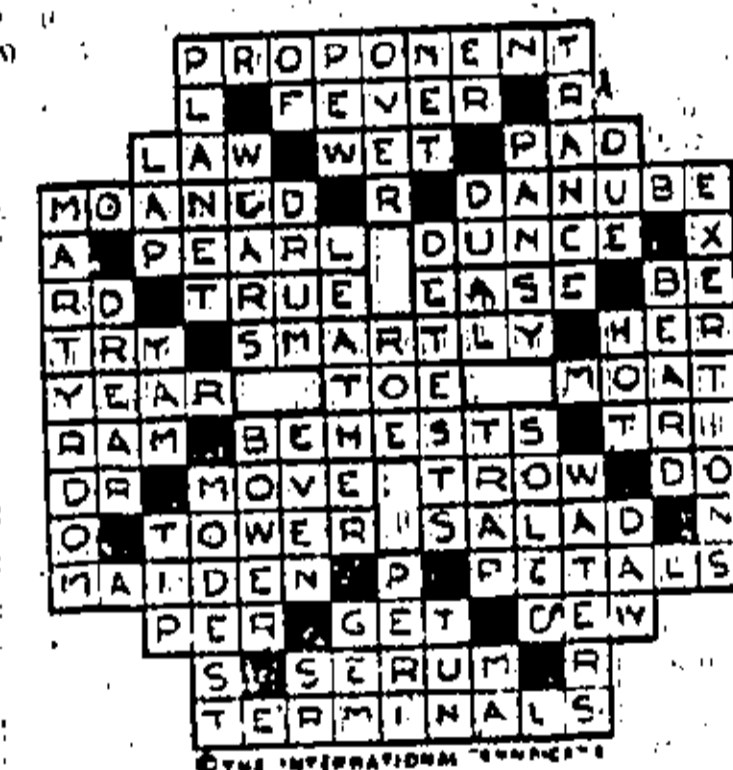
- HORIZONTAL**
- Country of Europe
 - To hide
 - A race
 - Trade by exchange of goods
 - Musical note
 - Combining form within
 - Lease
 - Gulf State of U. S. (abbr.)
 - A tree (pl.)
 - Fish eggs
 - Foolish youths (slang)
 - Exceedingly
 - A viper
 - Observe
 - One-fourth of an acre (abbr.)
 - Elongated fish
 - One of British Isles (abbr.)
 - Oliver
 - A color
 - Vehicle
 - Dexterity
 - Cuts away
 - Lively
 - Negative reply
 - A sailor
 - S. State of U. S. (abbr.)
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- English title
 - Antiseptic compound
 - Before
 - Performs
 - Fresh
 - Was indebted for
 - Money institution (abbr.)
 - Strive
 - Pinches slightly
 - Discount (abbr.)
 - Discourt
 - Golf club
 - Exalts
 - Enrolls
- VERTICAL**
- Stagger
 - Temper
 - Chief poem
 - A continent
 - Entrap
 - A month
 - South American
 - Far western State of U. S. (abbr.)
 - Organ of head
 - Pronoun
 - Harbor
 - Rock
 - Strength
 - Understood
 - A metal
 - Part of verb "to be"
 - Accept as true
 - Sword
 - Sword
 - Thin strip of wood
 - Combining form. Bone
 - Surf. Of the nature of
 - Point of compass (abbr.)
 - I am (contr.)
 - Buddy
 - A college degree (abbr.)
 - High School (abbr.)
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
- Implant
 - To fit with garments
 - Near
 - Untruths
 - Yonder
 - To be competent (abbr.)
 - Crafts
 - Small coin of U. S. (abbr.)
 - An assistant
 - Obstacle
 - N. con. State of U. S. (abbr.)
 - Prefix. Near
 - Command

RADIO FOR THE BLIND.

London, Feb. 21.
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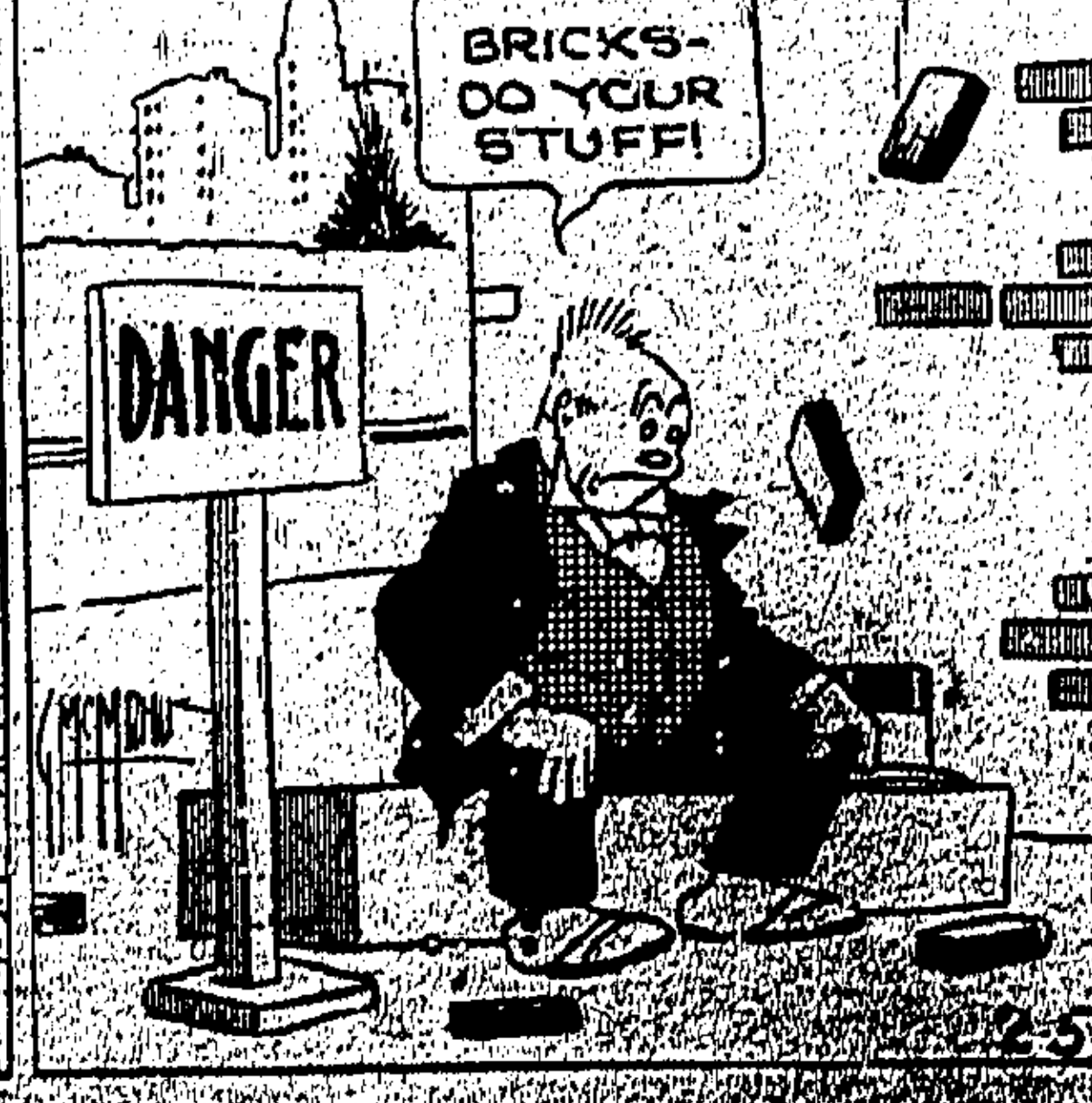
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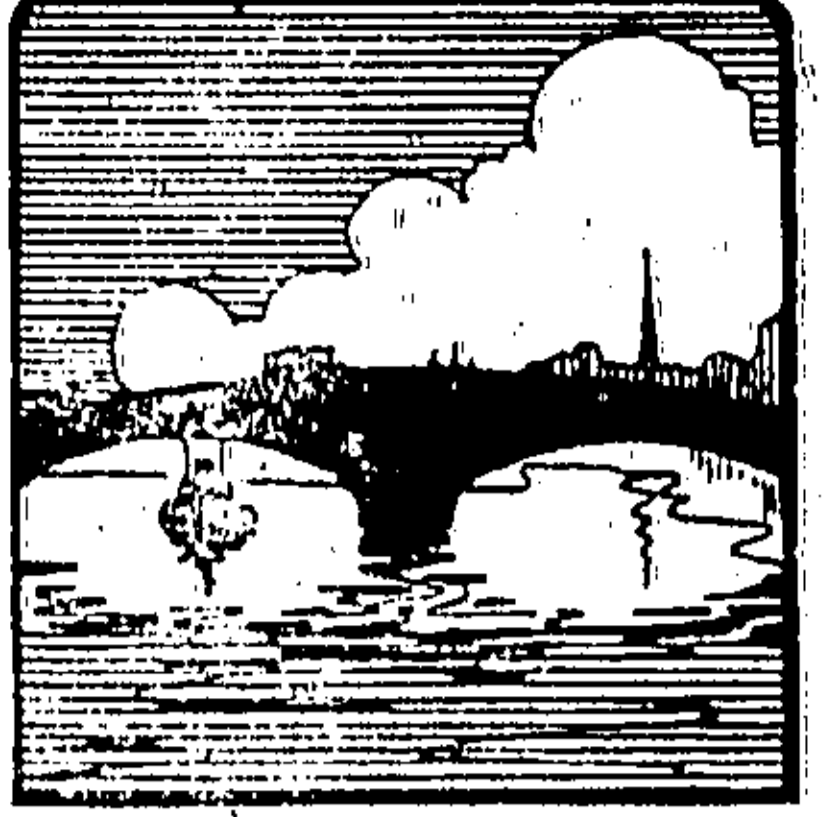
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Large numbers of 1927 pennies have been put into circulation by the banks.

Mr. Frank Hodges has been appointed a member of the Central Electricity Board.

In the second round of the Hospitals Rugby Cup St. Mary's defeated London by 3 points to nil.

In a letter to the Manchester Conservative and Unionist Association, Sir Charles Maudslayi, a prominent Liberal in the district, announced his intention of leaving the party. He expressed disagreement with the land policy of Mr. Lloyd George, and asked to be allowed to become a supporter of the Prime Minister.

Sir Bernard Spilbury, the pathologist, who was called as a witness for the defence at the adjourned trial of John Donald Merrett, who is charged with the murder of his mother, said that there was nothing inconsistent with suicide or accident in the site or direction of the wound. Holding the pistol behind the right ear, he stated that no difficulty was imposed on the hand or arm.

Colonel Lane-Fox (Secretary for Mines) has again refused to accept the nomination of Mr. A. J. Cook by the Miners' Federation as a member of the Government Committee on Mineral Transport. Stating that this is the first time the Government have refused to accept the official nominee of the federation, Mr. Cook declares that the committee will have to proceed without a representative of the federation or the miners.

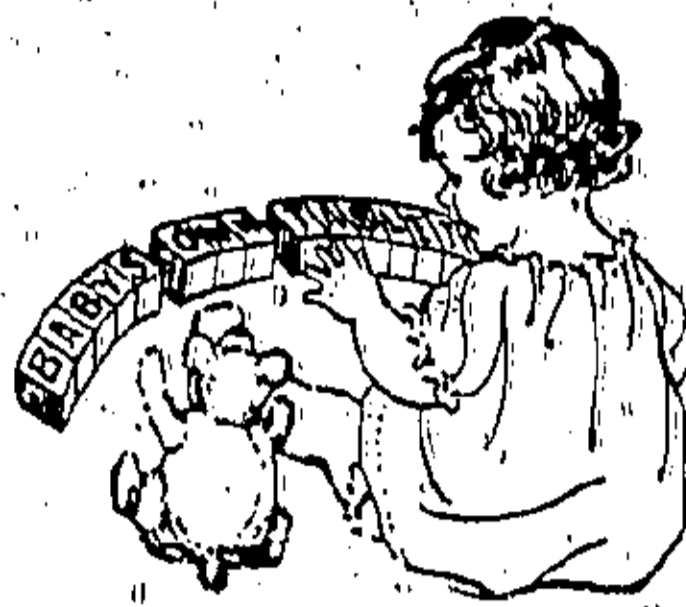
There need be no fear about any relaxation by the Government in their policy for keeping the country free from foreigners who wished to come here to foment illegal activities. Sir W. Joynton-Hicks (Home Secretary) stated in a message to a Conservative meeting at Twickenham: "In every part of the world where the British Empire impinged on another country Muscovite emissaries would be found trying to stir up mischief, and quite openly pledging themselves to destroy the power of our country."

Miss Marie Illington, the well-known actress, has died at her home in Malda-vale.

At Swansea the home club were successful against Oxford University by twelve points to ten.

Supplies of oranges in Britain have now been restored to a satisfactory position, the market having nearly recovered from the shortage due to precautions considered necessary in Spain as a result of the damage to the crops by frost.

Prince Arthur of Connaught, in accepting for the Middlesex Hospital the new institute—the gift of Mr. T. R. Feren—for research into the physiology, anatomy, and diseases of the ear, nose, and throat, observed that such a provision was unique in the British Empire, if not in the world. Mr. Bernhard Baron undertook to establish one of three post-graduate scholarships for which Prince Arthur appealed.



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ODDS AND ENDS

"An Unfortunate Word."

The need for the use of dogs in physiological and therapeutic experiments is urged in a series of articles in "The Fight Against Disease" (price 5d.), the quarterly journal of the Research Defence Society, of which Viscount Knutsford is the chairman. The decision of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to prepare a petition to the House of Commons, urging the passage of the Dogs Protection Bill, is strongly deprecated. It is contended that if the bill is passed it will not only prohibit the use of dogs in medical research, but will even prevent their use in investigating the causation and cure of distemper. It is further pointed out that the vast majority of dogs used for research are used under licence only, which means that the animals are given powerful anaesthetics, and are destroyed before recovering consciousness. The term "vivisection," the publication emphasises, is an "unfortunate word," because it conveys the erroneous impression of dissection of a living animal, while it is conscious of the operation being done upon it.

Strength of Animals.

Which is the most efficient creature in Nature? This question is raised in the current issue of "Nature" by Eve and Fleming, of McGill University, Montreal. Experimenting with a man of age, the writers found that a runner raising his own weight against gravity by running with a flying start up a flight of stairs and mounting 7 1/2 ft., 13 ft., and 125 ft. vertically, could develop respectively 1.87, 1.70, and 0.87 horse-power. The interesting question arises as to the efficiency per pound weight of certain animals, and the belief is expressed that man would have to yield to the dog, cat or sparrow. Professor A. V. Hill Foulerton, Professor of the Royal Society, discussing the problem recently, declared that small animals can deliver energy more rapidly than large ones, because they can oxygenate their

tissues more rapidly, and also because of the lesser inertia of their moving parts. Small animals were able to perform energy feats denied to large animals, but they paid for the privilege by being short-lived. Given the necessary time, an elephant in the course of its life would probably climb to as great a height as a fly, though at any moment its horse-power output per body weight would be less—"Morning Post."

In Hyde Park.

The last person to have discovered the Truth is a lady. Unlike her brothers she does not appear every week to spread her glad tidings. She is what the Romans called a rara avis. She wears a red hat. Bright red. It shames the sun. You can see it all the way from Buckingham Palace. Worse. It has a large red feather growing out of the side of it. I am not sure what else she wears. Eager for the truth, I do not notice externals—only the hat. Even a blind man could not help experiencing certain vibrations about the retina as he passed by that hat. She is an elderly lady. Say fifty-three. She has a soft, silvery voice—you might imagine your favourite cat talking in some such way. She believes Truth is to be found in equality. "Why have we been searching for Truth throughout the centuries in vain, in vain?" (She is inclined to repeat her words, to give her time to think of the next sentence.) "We have been searching in vain. Why? Because we have allowed man the fighting animal, rather than woman the thinker to govern, to lead, to advise. The time has come. The world is searching everywhere for Truth. We women must find it—nay, we have not to find it. We know it. All we have to do when once Man is dethroned, is to call it out from the house-tops. We know what Truth is. We know. We know." It is greatly to be regretted that this lady in possession of Truth cannot see her way to divulging the secret of it until man is dethroned. It seems such a long time to wait. David Geitlin in the "Adelphi."

At Warwick races Bob Martyn scored a popular victory in the Chandos Hurdle Handicap.

Opening an exhibition in connection with Fulham's Civic Week, the Lord Mayor suggested that other metropolitan boroughs should follow Fulham's example.

An extensive use of British spas for the benefit of insured persons suffering from rheumatism is advocated by the Management Committee of the General Federation of Trades Unions. As facilities are not adequate for all certified cases, it is suggested by the committee that clinics should be set up for the selection of suitable patients, so that the very best immediate results may be obtained.

Pending the hearing of a motion by Mrs. Daphne Morris, the first wife of Hayley Morris, of Pippingford Park, for increased maintenance, Mr. Justice Hill made an order embodying an undertaking by respondent not to part with 50 per cent. of a large holding of Chinese gold dollar bonds. Counsel for Mrs. Morris stated that the income derived from these bonds amounted to about £3,000 a year.

In his address to the Convocations the Archbishop of Canterbury emphasised the permissive character of the Prayer Book proposals. In no sense, he said, was the book forced on those who did not wish to use it. People who found in the old Prayer Book all that they desired could rest content in those pastures still. Important as the proposals were, in his deliberate judgment nothing that was suggested made any change in the doctrinal position of the Church of England.

A new marriage service, in which there is equality of the sexes, is included in the draft Prayer Book submitted by the House of Bishops to the Convocations of Canterbury and York. The word "obey" is omitted. Recognition is given to cremation, the legality of vestments is confirmed, and Reservation of the Blessed Sacrament is allowed, for the communion of the sick. Prayers for the dead are introduced, and, subject to the control of the bishop, the clergy are permitted to offer extempore prayer.

In Morocco.

From Meknes of the half-deserted courts and fabulous palaces, the road mounts to Volubilis, the Roman city whose ordered restraint Mula Ismail robbed of column and altar, leaving it a web of scattered pavements, with here a trace of street or temple and there a well-head or a carving too insignificant for the sultan's feast of stone. Here there is an inn kept by a Frenchman who can make the frothiest salad out of Paris or New York, while his children tell solemn tales of Romans and fairies, offering fragments of age-old pottery lamps or some coins found among the ruins. And at last there is Fez, the ultimate jewel set in hills, cushioned among olives. It is one of the few perfect cities of the world. The walls of the Almadade sultans, so sun-mellowed that they are like apricot velvet, enclose the originality, the simplicity, the mystery, the serenity of Fez, all the ingredients of its charm, so subtle and so rare that each traveller must come away, as I do, who have seen it many times, in silence. The essence of its wonder is that it is intangible. Of course, it has all history to draw upon. Here every age and creed has left its mark. It has bred warriors and dreamers. Sultans and saints have arisen to build its palaces and slender emerald minarets. It is the final expression of human fecundity. The narrow streets, where the houses, wind-drawn, lean whispering between carved balconies, add with life. From the heart of the vine-roofed markets comes the unceasing hum of a hive. Yet the crowds have no special character. They are of all Eastern castes and types, a web of magnificent imagery wherein is woven all the glamour and enchantment that legend has given to time. Every house is Bluebeard's, with its massive carved doors locked with a wooden key as large as a flute, its lantern borrowed from Aladdin, its shuttered tower, from which peeping slaves survey the roof pageant in search of gossip.—Kosita Forbes in the "Royal Magazine."

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